The Property of the
Town of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Receipts AND Expenditures

OF THE

Town of Wenham,

FOR THE

Year Ending Feb. 15, 1881.

WITH THE

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

SALEM:

PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.

1881.

REPORT.

SCHOOLS.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid Lizzie D. Williams,	teaching	Winter	term,	1879-80,	$54 00
Ada H. Wilkins,	"	Spring	"		60 00
" "	"	Fall	"		60 00
John K. Dodge, two cords wood,					16 00
B. F. Burchstead, building fires,					4 00
					$194 00

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid S. Abbie Green,	teaching	Spring	term,		$108 00
" "	"	Fall	"		108 00
" "	"	Winter	"	1879–80,	104 00
Charles Wilkins, two cords wood,					16 00
Daniel F. Meady, care of fires,					5 00
					$341 00

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid Alice C. Edwards,	teaching	Winter	term,	1879-80,	$ 96 00
" "	"	Spring	"		102 00
" "	"	Fall	"		102 00
John Girdler, for coal,					13 00
Wellington Poole, building fires and care of room,					15 00
					$328 00

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Paid Roxie Brigham, teaching Winter term, 1879–80,	$108	00
Lizzie E. Rogers, " Spring "	135	00
" " " " Fall "	135	00
John Girdler, coal,.....	45	00
Wellington Poole, building fires, sweeping and care,.....	20	15
	$443	15

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid Sarah D. Rogers, teaching Winter term, 1879-80,	$102	30
" " " " Spring "	90	75
" " " " Fall "	99	00
Chester S. Cook, building fires,.....	5	00
N. P. Perkins, wood furnished,.....	4	25
Joseph G. Kent, " "	12	75
	$314	05

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid S. E. Thayer, vaccinating 60 scholars,.....	$ 30	00
Merrill & Mackintire, ink,.....	4	65
" " erasers,.....	3	48
" " chalk, ...	8	55
" " ink wells and covers,....	3	25
" " books, ...	4	05
J. Choate, labor and stock furnished,.....	28	65
Charles P. Perkins, stove funnel and damper,....	14	40
R. T. Dodge, ink, 1879,.....	2	50
" " setting glass and for key,.....		50
A. H. Wilkins, curtains and locks,.....	4	75
John E. Tiney, repairs,.....	1	00
W. N. Burgess, setting glass,.....		50
Charles Batchelder, books, ...	9	05
" " ink,..... ...	1	10
" " chalk,.....	1	43
Louisa Shattuck, labor on school-houses,.....	1	50
A. C. Stockin, books,.....	6	50
E. F. Graves, map of U. S.,.....	2	00

W. Coop, Union, brooms, bucket,	1 65
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, matches,	55
N. P. Perkins, books,	1 50
" " cash paid for key and damper,	50
" " " " setting glass,	1 50
" " " " cleaning school-room,	1 25
J. Choate, labor and cash paid,	3 00
	$137 81

HIGHWAYS.

WARD ONE.

PHILIP MORRILL, JR., SURVEYOR.

Paid Philip Morrill, Jr	$ 5 31
Levi S. Groce	2 45
Daniel W. Preston	5 51
William Higgins	6 43
John K. Dodge	14 00
M. T. Williams	4 10
" " gravel,	30
Addison Williams	2 45
Mrs. F. Burchstead	1 70
William H. Beck	3 20
Benjamin F. Burchstead	3 20
Ivory Day	1 70
	$50 35

WARD TWO.

THOMAS F. THOMPSON, SURVEYOR.

Paid Thomas F. Thompson	$24 79
Robert F. Dodge	24 96
John Gentlee	4 11
Jacob Brown	11 56
Cyrus Tuttle	1 70
Thomas J. Peach	3 40
G. W. Johnson	8 50
	$79 02

WARD THREE.

NICHOLAS DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid Francis R. Edwards	$11 60
Charles Wilkins	13 15
" " gravel,	8 27
Samuel R. Prince	17 23
Zachariah Cole	15 30
George O. Eldredge	10 20
Pingree Estate	2 55
Charles Kilham	2 55
James Powers	34
Nicholas Dodge	8 18
	$89 37

WARD FOUR.

SIMEON DODGE, JR., SURVEYOR.

Paid William P. Dodge	$10 60
George F. Dodge	5 30
T. P. Dodge	3 40
George Brewer	3 40
Dennis Harrigan	3 40
Simeon Dodge, Jr	13 60
F. R. Edwards, gravel,	3 65
	$43 35

WARD FIVE.

WILLIAM S. CUMMINGS, SURVEYOR.

Paid Levi C. Hutchinson	$ 4 25
James Woodbury	4 25
Alexander Webber	5 10
Daniel Homan	7 65
William E. Porter	10 65
Elbridge Kimball	2 55
Frank Batchelder	17 35
R. H. Waters	6 60
Dennis Harrigan	1 70
Asa Trowt	7 65

Michael Sullivan	23 35
Mrs. N. S. Gould	3 00
Elbridge Porter	14 15
Jerry Kavanagh	12 61
William S. Cummings	69 94
George W. Casson	4 76
J. L. Batchelder	15 55
Milton A. Woodman	6 55
Joseph B. Woodman	2 55
John Riggs	1 70
Warren Hobbs	1 70
Horace Caves	1 50
Charles Stanton	3 00
Frank A. Standley	3 00
Daniel A. Homan	1 87
Wesley Burnham	1 70
Charles H. Shattuck	85
	$235 53

WARD SIX.

Warren Jones, Surveyor.

Paid Joseph Day	$10 20
William Peabody	10 20
G. A. Pickard	1 70
Daniel A. Homan	3 40
Wesley Burnham	3 80
George W. Parsons	3 00
Elbridge Porter	40
Paul M. Barnes	1 53
Frank A. Standley	2 00
Warren Jones	14 84
	$51 07

WARD SEVEN.

Stephen Cook, Surveyor.

Paid Stephen Cook	$ 21 08
Estate of A. F. Bagley	9 80
Elbridge K. Standley	9 80

George W. Peabody	7 60
Harvey Pierce	8 50
N. P. Perkins	11 78
Joseph G. Kent	13 51
Ira D. Batchelder	10 20
Elbridge Dodge	6 46
Samuel S. Cook	7 48
John A. Putnam, gravel,	3 50
	$109 71

WARD EIGHT.

James T. Brown, Surveyor.

Paid James T. Brown	$16 30
Edward L. Kimball	6 80
Joseph Wesel	7 65
Edward F. Skerry	7 65
Mrs. L. White	2 55
Charles Stanton	2 55
Thomas Clark	1 70
	$45 20

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid Stephen Cook, labor on Topsfield road,	$ 5 95
Estate A. F. Bagley, labor on Topsfield road,	9 90
Elbridge K. Standley " " "	7 35
S. E. Kimball, " " "	1 70
Elbridge A. Dodge, " " "	1 70
John A. Putnam, gravel,	3 65
John Gentlee, labor on railing,	9 50
John Gentlee, nine posts,	3 60
Jacob Brown, labor on railing,	3 40
Josiah Woodbury, twenty posts,	10 00
James T. Brown, labor, Ward Eight,	2 89
E. L. Kimball, " "	2 89
E. Skerry, " "	85
J. Wesel, " "	1 70
J. Wesel, for gravel,	1 50
T. F. Thompson, labor,	1 87

Simeon Dodge, Jr., hauling gravel to fill around posts,	3 57
N. Dodge, labor,	4 42
W. S. Cummings, labor,	9 28
P. P. Tyrrill, for gravel,	1 00
William Porter, stock and labor on railing and bridges,	22 35
	$109 07

SIDEWALKS.

Paid W. S. Cummings	$15 65
M. Sullivan	12 25
Daniel Homan	4 25
Asa Trowt	4 25
Richard Cloutman	3 40
A. Webber	1 02
Frank Batchelder	5 41
Frank Standley	6 50
P. H. Kavanagh	3 66
	$56 39

SNOW.

WARD ONE.

	1880.	1881.
Paid Philip Morrill, Jr		$1 30
John K. Dodge	2 70	1 75
Addison Williams	1 00	1 35
Samuel Hawkins		60
D. W. Preston		80
William H. Beck	30	
	$4 00	$5 80

WARD TWO.

	1880.	1881.
Paid R. F. Dodge		$4 20
John Gentlee		1 60
John Lear		8 90
G. W. Johnson	1 50	5 37
Thomas J. Peach	1 05	5 30

Cyrus Tuttle	60	3 90
Jacob Brown	40	8 27
Thomas H. Grey		5 90
T. F. Thompson		13 30
Charles T. Smith		2 00
	$3 55	$58 74

WARD THREE.

	1880.	1881.
Paid F. R. Edwards	$2 70	$12 00
Charles Wilkins	5 55	22 35
Francis M. Dodge		15 15
Samuel R. Prince	1 95	24 70
Jacob E. Dodge	1 40	8 40
Geo. O. Eldredge	30	6 00
Horatio N. Norcross	80	6 00
Charles O. Killam		5 80
Hiram Norcross	80	6 00
James Powers		7 50
John P. Conant		4 00
Pingree Estate		1 30
Nicholas Dodge	3 40	17 00
Z. Cole	1 40	
	$18 30	$136 20

WARD FOUR.

	1880.	1881.
Paid Timothy P. Dodge	$ 2 60	$8 40
George Brewer	1 20	6 70
Isaac Porter		1 60
Moses Wilkins		60
Charles Abbott		4 60
Horace W. Dodge		70
Dennis Harrigan	70	3 40
John Harrigan		1 70
Josiah Brown		2 50
William P. Dodge	2 70	7 45
Simeon Dodge, Jr	1 70	23 00
George F. Dodge	1 70	
	$10 60	$60 65

WARD FIVE.

	1880.	1881.
Paid William S. Cummings	$11 70	$30 10
Frank Batchelder		5 80
Sargent Knowlton	30	4 70
George Casson		7 40
M. Sullivan	60	12 40
Richard Cloutman	80	7 60
George Woodbury		1 30
James Woodbury		3 80
Joseph L. Batchelder		15 20
George Perkins		80
Daniel Homan	80	4 20
Charles Homan		4 40
John Riggs	1 15	10 60
Joseph Woodman	1 30	6 50
Dennis Harrigan		2 40
Alexander Webber		7 90
Charles Shattuck		6 40
Asa W. Trowt		2 50
Elbridge Porter		60
Philip Kavanagh	40	
	$17 05	$134 60

WARD SIX.

	1880.	1881.
Paid Levi Lord		$2 40
John Caves		5 50
George W. Jones	.40	3 10
Warren Jones	.40	3 10
Daniel A. Homan		2 10
Thomas Barnes		3 90
M. Buckley		6 40
Wesley Burnham	.50	2 40
G. A. Pickard		6 20
Everett Day	.65	1 90
Joseph Day	.40	3 00
William Peabody	.60	4 50
Winthrop Peabody	.85	3 90
Charles Webber		90

F. A. Standley		90
Eben Gould		2 50
George Howe	.70	
	$4 50	$52 70

WARD SEVEN.

	1881.
Paid Stephen Cook	$ 22 35
George W. Peabody	9 80
George W. Peabody, Jr.	10 85
Joseph Kent	9 60
Otis Alley	5 30
S. S. Cook	19 97
S. E. Kimball	3 95
James N. Clark	8 55
Charles Bagley	7 10
Ira D. Batchelder	8 20
Elbridge Dodge	3 60
William Burgess	3 90
Elbridge Standley	3 60
N. P. Perkins	2 00
O. D. Quint	5 00
Benjamin Soper	2 00
Henry Hart	5 40
J. W. Moulton	1 10
	$132 27

WARD EIGHT.

	1880.	1881.
Paid James T. Brown	$1 80	$8 20
E. L. Kimball	1 00	4 60
Joseph Wesel	80	4 80
Thomas Clark	40	1 80
Charles Hayward		2 00
E. F. Skerry		2 00
	$4 00	$23 40

POOR.

George W. Babcock.

Paid Town of Saugus, aid furnished,	$ 76 75
Town of Melrose, " "	40 20
	$116 95

Sally Goodale.

Paid R. Ward, meat furnished,	$ 1 39
James H. Perkins, meat furnished,	50
" " medicine,	25
M. Buckley, for care,	3 00
W. Coop. Union,	14 08
S. E. Thayer, medical attendance,	4 50
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, for board,	50 60
Margaret Standley, for care,	6 00
Charles Batchelder, for goods,	2 70
G. A. Pickard, expressing,	1 00
J. G. Kent, wood furnished,	4 00
William Hall, bread furnished,	2 75
Cash furnished,	4 13
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, burial expenses,	3 25
" " " for coffin,	10 00
Wellington Poole, journey to D. L. H.,	2 75
" " attending funeral and interment,	4 00
	$114 90
Received from Mrs. N. Potter of West Newton, for funeral expenses,	$ 20 00
Received from sales of household furniture,	21 09

Richard Burnham.

Paid D. Richards & Son, supplies furnished,	$ 47 23
Sanger, Hood & Co., coal,	3 50
Joseph G. Kent, wood,	11 75
	$62 48

Mrs. Abram H. Williams.

Paid Elias Haskell, for board of Abram H. Williams,	$ 13 43
City of Lynn, aid furnished,	27 00
	$40 43

Mary Tuttle.

Paid Charles Batchelder, pair of shoes for boy,	$	1 25
Paid S. E Thayer, medical attendance,		26 75
J. H. Perkins, medicine,		70
Wenham Coop. Union, supplies,		85 14
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,		34 01
J. H. Perkins, medicine, 1879,		2 95
	$150	80

Winslow Day.

Paid Henry F. Dodge, goods for bedding,	$	2 75
John Gentlee, making bedding,		1 25
J. H. Perkins, medicine,		4 17
S. E. Thayer, medical attendance,		30 00
	$38	17
Paid City of Boston, aid furnished Sarah Wyatt,	$	48 00
J. H. Allen, for coffin, trimming, and robe for Sarah Dearborn,		15 00
Wellington Poole, journey to Salem after coffin and robe,		2 75
Wellington Poole, attending funeral,		5 00
	$22	75

Tramps.

Paid John Riggs, putting up two travellers,	$	1 50
Henry Hobbs, care of lock-up,		15 25
Henry Hobbs, supplies,		10 64
	$27	39

INCIDENTALS.

Paid Merrill & Mackintire, blank book,	$	67
" " stationery,		2 35
Warren Jones, building fence at pound land,		75
C. G. Williams, repairing sofa,		5 00
Hiram Doane, repairing pump,		19 40
Little, Brown & Co., Herrick's Town Officer,		3 00
James Bartlett, journey to Winchester for salmon,		3 30

Henry Hale, one pair handcuffs,	5 00
Foote & Horton, printing blanks, "fishing in Pleasant pond,"	4 00
Charles Batchelder, stationery,	35
J. Kavanagh, postage and stationery,	1 65
G. A. Pickard, express,	15
George Roundy, lumber for railing,	22 89
B. H. Conant, care of town clock,	20 00
G. F. Dodge, posts and setting, for railing,	8 50
Foote & Horton, printing Town and School Reports and list of voters,	47 17
Foote & Horton, printing tax bills,	3 00
H. Alley, figures to town clock	1 50
H. H. Dempsey, repairs on pump,	6 00
H. H. Dempsey, sharpening drills,	65
J. Choate, guideboards and painting,	7 00
W. S. Cummings, labor,	2 55
Jason Clark, repairs on hearse,	5 75
Jason Clark, findings for hearse,	3 75
Charles H. Flint, drain pipe,	8 10
Simeon Dodge, Jr., hauling drain pipe,	1 50
William S. Cummings, cutting tree,	75
Wellington Poole, labor on cemetery,	9 48
Coop. Union, postage,	1 95
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, postage,	72
Daniel Bradbury, new steeling pickaxes,	4 00
Daniel Bradbury, setting tires on hearse,	2 50
Henry Hobbs, findings for hearse,	1 92
Henry Hobbs, journey to Winchester on account of fish,	5 15
Jerry Choate, labor on tomb,	3 37
Jerry Choate, paint, oil, and labor on hearse house,	12 33
William Porter, stock and labor on hearse-house,	29 94
Wellington Poole, issuing fish licenses,	5 40
Elbridge Porter, postage and stationery,	1 75
	$263 24

TOWN HOUSE AND HALL.

Paid B. S. Lunt, funnel and labor,	$	9 42
John Girdler, for coal,		20 00
Jerry Choate, Jr., repairs,		6 78
Jason Clark, repairs,		1 55
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, wicks and oil,		1 75
W. Coop. Union, wicks and oil,		2 58
Wellington Poole, care of hall and Selectmen's room,		26 37
		$68 45

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh and twelve other persons, at Gage's fire,	$	9 75
Charles Shattuck, labor on engine,		2 50
H. H. Dempsey, lock and setting tires on engine,		4 25
Jason Clark, repairs on engine and ladders,		3 25
Henry Tarr, six keys for engine house,		1 00
P. H. Kavanagh, labor on engine,		4 37
Gould & Co., gallon of oil,		2 40
J. H. Perkins, alcohol,		2 60
Henry Hobbs, repairs on engine,		65
		$30 77

PARK.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh, hauling manure,	$	2 75
James H. Perkins, for manure,		6 38
J. Kavanagh, for manure,		2 25
Wellington Poole, labor on Park and Common,		9 12
		$20 50

CONSTABLES AND POLICE.

Paid M. Buckley, serving dog warrant, 1879–80,	$	6 00
M. Buckley, services, " "		7 00
		$13 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

COLLECTOR.

Paid J. Kavanagh, collecting taxes, 1879,	$ 38 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid N. P. Perkins, 26 days' services,	$ 45 50
" " preparing School Report,	5 00
R. F. Dodge, 6 days' service,	12 00
J. Choate, 7 1-2 days' service,	15 00
	$77 50

TREASURER.

Paid Samuel Porter, salary,	$ 25 00
" " three journeys to Boston,	9 00
" " five journeys to Salem,	5 00
" " stationery and postage,	74
	$39 74

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Poole, salary,	$ 20 00
" " cash paid,	7 60
" " recording births, marriages, and deaths,	14 80
Paid Wellington Poole, journeys out of town	3 00
" " writing cemetery deeds,	2 75
" " administering oaths	3 60
	$51 75

SELECTMEN.

Paid W. F. Trowt, services and journey to Salem,	$ 5 60
S. E. Kimball, 18 days' services,	30 60
" " conducting correspondence, preparing returns, &c.,	10 00
J. I. Durgin, 17 days' service,	28 90
John Gentlee, 17 days' service,	28 90
	$104 00

ASSESSORS.

Paid S. E. Kimball, 8 days' service,	$ 16 00
" " certified copy of estimate,	7 00
J. I. Durgin, 8 days' service,	16 00
John Gentlee, 8 days' service,	16 00
	$55 00

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid S. E. Kimball, service for the year,	$ 9 00
" " journeys out of town,	4 00
" " cash paid,	55
John I. Durgin, service for the year,	6 00
" " journeys out of town,	2 00
John Gentlee, service for the year,	6 00
" " journey out of town,	9 60
	$37 15

STATE AID.

Paid Mary P. Merrill, under Acts 1879, Chap. 301,	$ 44 00
John D. Andrews " " " " 252,	82 00
	$126 00

[The State pays one-half under Chap, 252.]

ABATEMENTS.

1879.

Jerry Kavanagh, personal,	$ 1 00
Frank P. Abbott, not liable,	1 67
George Brown, personal and poll,	2 13
Harvey S. Cook, poll,	1 67
Winslow Day, poll,	1 67
Alphonso Day, poll,	1 67
George H. Durgin, not liable, poll,	1 67
Eben Gould, poll,	1 67
Augustus Hutchinson, poll,	1 67
John M. Hart, poll,	1 67
A. Weston Johnson, poll,	1 67
Charles S. Jones, poll,	1 67

Alfred J. Merrill, poll,	1 67
William T. Swasey, personal and poll,	2 13
Frank Tarrieo, poll,	1 67
Eldred Webber, poll,	1 67
Richard Yeo, poll,	1 67
Arthur Aiken, poll,	1 67
Cornelius Sweeney, poll,	1 67
Daniel Quint, poll,	1 67
Greenleaf A. Pickard, poll,	1 67
	$35 32

SUMMARY OF TOWN EXPENSES.

School, teaching, fuel, care of rooms, &c.,	$1,758 01
Highway wards,	703 60
Extra highway	109 07
Sidewalks,	56 39
Clearing snow,	666 36
Poor,	621 87
Incidentals,	263 24
Town House and Hall,	68 45
Fire Department,	30 77
Park,	20 50
Constables and Police,	13 00
Town Officers,	403 14
State Aid,	126 00
Interest on Town Debt,	270 58
Interest on Cemetery Funds,	13 85
State Tax,	495 00
County Tax,	538 84
	$6,158 67

In accordance with a vote of the Town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses:—

Schools, teaching, fuel, care of rooms, &c.,	$1,400 00
Highways and Bridges,	900 00
Poor,	800 00
Incidentals,	1,200 00
Interest,	250 00

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

SAMUEL PORTER, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
To balance in Treasury, Feb. 17, 1880,	$1,379 41
Cash received of State Treasurer, corporation tax	47 82
" " " Nat'l Bank tax,	245 80
" " " State aid, 1877,	22 00
" " " State aid, 1879,	82 00
" " " State School fund,	214 85
" " " relief to indigent soldiers,	59 00
Cash received of County Treasurer, dog licenses,	66 49
" " Wellington Poole, rent of Town Hall,	58 85
Cash received of Wellington Poole, chandelier sold,	3 14
" " " " fish licenses,	9 00
" " A. D. & W. F. Trowt, cemetery lot,	12 00
Cash received of Mrs. Ober and Mr Kilham, cemetery lot,	10 00
Cash received of George W. Badger, cemetery lot,	10 00
" " John W. Curtis, cemetery lot	12 00
" " Heirs Henry. S Kent, " "	12 00
" " James A. Henderson, " "	4 00
" " Mrs. R. Clark, " "	12 00
" " Warren Jones, for A. Jackson's goods,	4 00
Cash received for Mrs. Goodale's goods,	21 09
" of Mrs. Potter, for Mrs. Goodale's funeral expenses,	20 00
Cash received of J. Kavanagh, Collector, 1879,	1,584 56
" " Elbridge Porter, Collector, 1880,	4,852 00
" " Town of Hamilton, for scholar, '79,	6 00
" " Town of Beverly, aid furnished L. S. Groce,	5 00
Cash received of N. P. Perkins, vaccinating his boy,	50
	$8,753 51

	Cr.
By payment of Selectmen's orders,	$4,191 31
" on town debt,	800 00
" interest on town debt,	270 58
" interest on cemetery fund,	13 85
" County tax,	538 84
" State tax,	495 00
" State aid to Jan. 1, 1881,	126 00
By balance in treasury, Feb. 21, 1881,	2,317 93
	$8,753 51

TAX COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

JERRY KAVANAGH, COLLECTOR FOR 1879, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
To tax list of 1879, committed to him to collect,	$5,327 13
Additions to tax list,	21 06
Interest on taxes,	31 15
	$5,379 34

	Cr.
By payments to Samuel Porter, Treasurer,	$4,949 56
By balance on highway books,	429 78
	$5,379 34

ELBRIDGE PORTER, COLLECTOR FOR 1880, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
To tax list of 1880, committed to him to collect,	$5,779 00
Additions to tax list,	2 00
	$5,781 00

	Cr.
By payments to Samuel Porter, Treasurer,	$4,852 00
Balance on highway books, unpaid by orders,	558 41
Uncollected taxes,	370 59
	$5,781 00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE TOWN.

LIABILITIES.

Note due State of Massachusetts,	$4,000 00
Note due J. & A. Low,	700 00
Note due John I. Durgin,	500 00
Note due Trustees of Cemetery Fund,	475 00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Perkins, with interest to Feb. 1st, 1881,	1,708 87
Estimated amount of outstanding bills,	650 00
	$8,033 87

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	$2,317 93
Due from Elbridge Porter, Collector,	370 59
Due from the State, State aid, 1879,	82 00
Due from the State, State aid, 1880	85 00
Due from City of Salem, funeral expenses of Mrs. Sarah Dearborn,	22 75
	$2,878 27
Balance against the town,	5,155 60

S. E. KIMBALL,
J. GENTLEE,
J. I. DURGIN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT—1880.

MARRIAGES.

Twelve marriage certificates were issued during the year, all of which were returned to this office.

The number of marriages recorded was 16. With all but one of the parties it was the first marriage, with one it was the second. All were of American birth; five only were born in Wenham. 16, including both parties of four couples, were residents of the town at the time of their marriage; and 16, including both parties of three couples, were non-residents.

BIRTHS.

The number of births was 8—5 males and 3 females. Seven were of American and one of foreign parentage.

DEATHS.

The number of deaths, including 3 still births, was 16—10 males, 5 females, and one unknown. All but one were of American birth; nine were born in Wenham.

AGES.

One was 40, 48, 52, 55, 58, 66, 77; three were 80; and three were 83.

In addition to the foregoing, 4 were brought to Wenham from other places for interment.

DOGS.

Forty-five dogs were licensed, and from the amount received therefor the sum of eighty-one dollars ($81.00) was paid into the County Treasury.

The sum returned to the town was sixty-six dollars and forty-nine cents, ($66.49).

FISHING LICENSES.

Thirty-six licenses to fish in Pleasant Pond were issued and the sum of nine dollars was received therefor, of which sum three dollars and sixty cents was paid into the town treasury, and the balance retained by the Clerk for his services, in accordance with a vote of the town relating thereto.

Of the thirty-six persons to whom licenses were issued, only twelve made returns of the number and weight of fish taken, as follows, viz.;

Number of	Black Bass, 6;	Weight,	17 1-2 lbs.
"	" Perch, 130;	"	50 1-2 "
"	" Pickerel, 26;	"	26 1-4 "
"	" Other fish, 66;	"	25 "

WELLINGTON POOLE, Town Clerk.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

ESSEX, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wenham, on MONDAY, the seventh day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
2. To act on the Annual Report of the Selectmen.
3. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, to make appropriation of the same, and determine the manner of collecting.
5. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to hire such sums of money, in anticipation of the taxes, as may be necessary to meet current expenses.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for the expenses of Memorial Day, under the direction of the Sailors and Soldiers of Wenham.
7. To see if the Town will vote to indemnify Arthur Foster, for damages to his load of apples by upsetting in Ward Two.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money to cut down and grade the road on the westerly part of Bomer's Hill—as per petition of James T. Brown and others.
9. "To see what action the Town will take to induce business men to locate here and carry on business,"—as per petition of Charles W. Batchelder and others.
10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to building Snow Fences.

11. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the meeting-houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

SOLOMON E. KIMBALL,
JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

Receipts AND Expenditures

—OF THE—

Town of Wenham,

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 13, 1882,

— WITH THE—

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1882.

REPORT.

School Department.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid Ada H. Wilkins, teaching Winter term, 1880–81,			$72 00
Jennie Lummus,	"	Spring "	60 50
Minnie A. Gentlee,	"	Fall "	44 00
John K. Dodge,			17 00
Bennie Burchstead, building fires and care of room,			5 00
			$198 50

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid S. A. Green, teaching Winter term, 1880–81,			$108 00
A. H. Wilkins,	"	Spring "	90 00
" " " "		Fall "	82 50
Charles Wilkins, wood,			17 00
D. F. Meady, building fires,			4 75
			$302 25

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid Alice C. Edwards, teaching Winter term, 1880-81,			$102 00
Laura M. Carlton,	"	Spring "	90 00
Carolyn O. Spofford,	"	Fall "	82 50
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,			19 45
John Girdler, for coal,			13 00
			$306 95

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Paid Lizzie E. Rogers, teaching Winter term, 1880-81,			$135 00
S. A. Green,	"	Spring "	144 00
" " "	"	Fall "	132 00
John Girdler, coal,			45 00
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,			17 05
			$473 05

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid Sarah D. Rogers, teaching Winter term, 1880-81,	$113 75
" " " " Spring "	96 00
" " " " Fall "	88 00
N. P. Perkins, wood furnished,	8 00
Joseph G. Kent, " "	11 50
Chas. W. Moulton, building fires and care of room,	5 00
	$322 25

School Incidentals.

Paid Cora F. Burchstead, cleaning room,	$ 2 00
Addison Williams, setting glass, hanging door, etc.,	1 00
Mary Sullivan, washing windows,	75
J. Choate, Jr., Cash,	75
N. P. Perkins, " Mrs. Soper, cleaning room,	2 25
" " " " Sharper & Brother, school books	2 48
C. P. Perkins & Co., zinc and labor,	2 25
George H. Woodbury, labor, stock and teaming,	4 50
" " " " Centre School,	2 50
T. J. Gifford, stock for blackboard,	3 12
J. Choate, Jr., stock and labor,	32 80
S. A. Green, curtains, writing book, etc.,	2 61
Charles C. Gerry, 1-2 gross erasers,	8 50
Charles F. Elliott, stock and labor,	12 18
A. D. & W. F. Trout, brooms, mug, lock and pail,	1 58
Charles Batchelder, books, crayon, etc.,	1 96
John Gentlee, ink,	60
Merrill & Mackintire, room paper,	1 83
Merrill & Mackintire, ink etc.,	3 50
	$87 16

Highway Department.

WARD ONE.

DANIEL W. PRESTON, SURVEYOR.

Paid B. F. Burchstead	$ 3	40
Philip Morrill, Jr	3	40
George D. Batchelder	3	40
Fanny Burchstead	3	40
William H. Beck	3	40
Addison Williams	4	34
Edwin D. Stillman	13	61
Daniel W. Preston	12	41
Mrs. G. M. Williams, gravel	9	50
	$56	86

WARD TWO.

JOHN GENTLEE, SURVEYOR.

Paid John Gentlee	$19	15
R. F. Dodge	27	86
Thomas J. Peach	4	08
Jacob Brown	9	35
Thomas F. Thompson	13	60
Cyrus Tuttle	3	40
George W. Johnson	8	16
	$85	60

WARD THREE.

CHARLES WILKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid F. R. Edwards	$20	80
Frank M. Dodge	9	00
James Powers	2	55
Pingree Estate	1	70
Nicholas Dodge	5	10
Samuel R. Prince	14	75
Zachariah Cole	19	55
Charles Wilkins	26	20
Elbridge W. Perkins	8	50
William T. Tucker		85
	$109	00

WARD FOUR.

SIMEON DODGE, JR., SURVEYOR.

Paid William P. Dodge	$21	58
George F. Dodge	10	80
Dennis Harrigan	3	40
T. P. Dodge	5	27
George Brewer	1	70
Simeon Dodge, Jr	20	96
F. R. Edwards, gravel	7	20
	$70	91

WARD FIVE.

WILLIAM S. CUMMINGS, SURVEYOR.

Paid John Riggs	$6	97
Levi Hutchinson	2	55
Daniel Homan	3	57
Mrs. Waters	7	80
Frank Needham	4	42
W. S. Cummings	52	37
Michael Sullivan	13	11
Frank Batchelder	10	29
Joseph L. Batchelder	18	26
Frank Standley	17	50
Elbridge Porter	12	74
Henry Tarr	5	69
J. Kavanagh	10	75
Parker P. Tyrrell	5	90
Alexander Webber	3	40
Philip Kavanagh	5	27
Richard H. Cloutman	1	70
Dennis Harrigan	5	10
Daniel Homan	1	70
Henry Perkins	2	50
Madison Shattuck	1	70
B. S. Knowlton		85
Daniel Perkins		40
	$194	54

WARD SIX.

DANIEL A. HOMAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid Samuel Porter	$ 4 35
Joseph Day	6 80
Augustus Pickard	1 70
Frank Standley	85
" " gravel,	3 60
Winthrop Peabody	3 30
Warren Jones	6 80
Thomas Barnes	7 79
Wesley Burnham	3 91
James L. Dodge	1 70
Daniel A. Homan	8 02
	$48 82

WARD SEVEN.

ELBRIDGE A. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid James N. Clark	$ 5 10
Ira D. Batchelder	7 65
Joseph G. Kent	6 80
Est. Samuel Ober	2 55
Est Almon F. Bagley	10 71
James Cass	85
George W. Peabody	3 40
George W. Peabody, Jr ,	1 70
Stephen Cook	1 70
Samuel S. Cook	6 80
Harvey Pierce	3 40
Elbridge A. Dodge	21 59
William B. Morgan	12 45
Elbridge Standley,	7 35
N. P. Perkins	7 20
George Flint, gravel	11 55
	$110 80

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid James T. Brown	$19 35
Joseph Wesel	15 15
William H. Skerry	8 30

Paid Edward L. Kimball	10 20
Charles H. Stanton	2 55
	$55 55

BOMER'S HILL.

Paid J. Kavanagh, excavating 350 yards of ledge and earth, as per contract	$203 00
George Roundy, lumber and nails for railing	9 61
S. E. Kimball, labor	8 80
James F. Brown, furnishing and setting 28 cedar posts	19 80
James F. Brown, labor	19 20
" " " tending lantern	1 00
Charles Bagley, labor	10 20
Elbridge Standley, labor	14 70
Elbridge A. Dodge, gravel	6 25
	$292 56

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid John Gentlee, 23 Cedar posts	$ 9 20
" " labor and teaming	22 66
" " excavating ledge	9 09
" " cash to S. R. Prince, gravel	50
George Roundy, lumber for railing	2 78
Joseph M. Parsons, cement pipe	32 25
William S. Cummings, teaming drain pipe	2 50
S R. Prince, labor on bridge in Ward Three	15 55
Charles Wilkins, labor and material on bridge	13 65
Henry Dodge, labor on bridge	4 00
F. M. Dodge, labor and material on bridge	7 80
William T. Tucker, labor on bridge	1 00
Nicholas Dodge, labor	4 25
Charles Wilkins, labor on bridge	10 20
F. R. Edwards, " " "	17 70
Simeon Dodge, Jr., posts, railing and labor	7 00
James T. Brown, teaming and laying drain pipe	3 50
William Porter, labor on railing	1 87
Elbridge A. Dodge, labor	85
Elbridge Porter, teaming drain pipe	1 00
	$167 35

Snow.

WARD ONE.

Paid B. F. Burchstead	$3 50
William H. Beck	2 10
George Beck	1 00
Henry Dodge	1 50
George D. Batchelder	1 90
John W. Higgins	1 50
Timothy Higgins	2 10
L. A. Quint	1 90
E. Stillman	2 80
Addison Williams	4 30
John K. Dodge	6 35
E. E. Wyatt	4 30
Henry Wyatt	5 00
D. W. Preston	4 70
	$42 95

WARD TWO.

Paid John Gentlee	$19 80
Thomas J. Peach	7 25
George W. Johnson	15 43
Thomas Thompson	23 40
Cyrus Tuttle	5 00
Thomas H. Gray	3 50
R. F. Dodge	50
Jacob Brown	12 70
Charles T. Smith	2 60
John Lear	4 10
	$94 28

WARD THREE.

Paid Charles Wilkins	$18 50
S. R. Prince	17 00
F. M. Dodge	13 90
F. R. Edwards	4 83
Zachariah Cole	7 00
Jacob E. Dodge	6 00

Paid Edward L. Kimball	10 20
Charles H. Stanton	2 55
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Nicholas Dodge	7 40
John P. Conant	3 20
Mrs. A. Pingree	2 20
Hiram C. Norcross	2 40
Horatio N. Norcross	4 40
Charles O. Killam	5 60
William Tucker	4 25
John Peach	1 95
Elbridge Perkins	9 80
James Powers	4 40
	$112 83

WARD FOUR.

Paid William P. Dodge	$14 55
George F. Dodge	10 20
Henry Alley	1 60
Josiah B. Brown	1 65
Edward Standley	2 80
Simeon Dodge, Jr.,	16 70
	$47 50

WARD FIVE.

Paid William S. Cummings	$20 90
Michael Buckley	4 60
E. Webber	5 20
John Riggs	2 60
Joseph Woodman	2 60
Richard Cloutman	5 10
Madison Shattuck	5 00
Daniel Perkins	8 70
Charles Elliott	90
Henry Tarr	6 10
James Woodbury	4 80
B. Sargent Knowlton	9 30
Humphrey Clark	3 20
William Northend	3 90
J. Kavanagh	2 40
Alonzo Perkins	70
	$86 00

WARD SIX.

Paid Moses Dearborn	$	4 75
George Channel		4 65
S. A. Porter		3 10
Eben Gould		3 65
Frank Gould		3 35
Everett Day		3 65
E. K. Batchelder		1 40
H. A. Cook		2 00
John Caves		2 75
Horace Caves		2 00
Warren Jones		4 15
George W. Jones		2 00
Levi Lord		3 10
A. Hodgdon.		2 00
Charles Homan		3 30
Thomas Barnes		40
Daniel A. Homan		6 20
Jacob Barnes		1 70
	$	54 15

WARD SEVEN.

Paid George W. Peabody	$	12 20
George W. Peabody, Jr.,		7 30
Daniel E. Homan		3 60
George Casson		2 00
James Casson		2 00
Harvey Cook		3 60
Chester Cook		50
Joseph Kent		14 60
Samuel S. Cook		5 70
S. E. Kimball		5 10
James N. Clark		10 70
John H. Tiney		6 30
William N. Burgess		3 60
Elbridge K. Standley		12 20
Charles Bagley		3 60
Augustus Hutchinson		3 60
Ira D. Batchelder		8 60

Paid Luther Batchelder	6 35
Levi Hutchinson	4 00
N. P. Perkins	2 90
Walter Wilkins	3 80
Charles Moulton	5 10
Joel Wilkins	1 60
Elbridge A. Dodge	12 00
	$140 95

WARD EIGHT.

Paid James T. Brown	$ 6 20
Edward L. Kimball	4 90
Joseph Wesel	4 90
W. Skerry	3 00
Thomas Clark	1 20
C. Stanton	1 00
S. Purdy	90
	$22 10

Poor Department.

WINSLOW DAY.

Paid Fannie Burchstead, bedding	$ 3 00

SARAH L. BUNKER.

Paid Town of Marblehead, supplies	$8 75

GEORGE W. BABCOCK.

Paid Melrose, aid furnished	50 50
Saugus " "	126 75
	$177 25

MRS. ABRAM WILLIAMS.

Paid Lynn, aid furnished	$ 31 80

MARY TUTTLE.

Paid S. E. Thayer, medical attendance	30 00
James H. Perkins, medicines	1 20
A. D. & W. F. Trout, goods furnished	112 15
	$143 35

RICHARD BURNHAM.

Paid Joseph Kent, wood furnished	6 00
Sanger, Hood & Co., coal furnished	8 00
D. Richards & Son, supplies	49 64
	$63 64

SARAH WYATT.

Paid Boston, aid furnished	$48 00

TRAMPS.

Paid Michael Buckley, care	$6 50
A. D. & W. F. Trout, crackers and cheese	6 09
	$12 59

Town House and Hall.

Paid John Girdler, for coal	$ 20 00
Whitcomb & Carter, coal shovel and axe	2 00
Charles F. Elliott, stock and labor	11 40
E. R. Perkins, repairing and painting roof of town house	25 00
D. Bradbury, 2 irons for gutters	1 00
A. D. & W. F. Trout, supplies	5 88
Charles F. Dudley, repairing furnace	75
Jason Clark, labor	3 25
Wellington Poole, care of Selectmen's room, Town Hall, and land	55 86
	$125 14

Pound.

Paid Calvin Putnam, lumber, posts and teaming	$22 86
William Porter, labor	10 29
Warren Jones	3 50
	$36 65

Town Scales.

Paid Charles Davis, 1 Hay Scale	$210 00
George McQuesten & Co., lumber	47 28
Eli Fletcher, labor	1 70

Paid Arthur Harrigan, labor		9 18
Eastern Railroad, freight on lumber		3 75
Thomas S. Peckham, labor		4 08
Charles H. Shattuck, "		6 80
Daniel E. Homan, "		8 50
Warren Jones, "		6 37
Asa W. Trout, "		11 90
Charles F. Dudley, wedges		1 45
Jason Clark, rocks		5 00
P. H. Kavanagh, labor and teaming		10 07
H. H. Demsey, sharpening picks, bars and wedges		3 55
H. H. Demsey, stock and labor		1 40
A. D. and W. F. Trout, tending lantern		1 25
		$332 28

Fire Department.

Paid A. D. & W. F. Trout, lantern and oil	$1 25
Henry Tarr, labor on engine	2 55
" " cash	5 90
	$9 70

Park.

Paid Wellington Pool, lawn mower	$10 00
" " labor	11 01
	$21 01

Incidentals.

Paid B. H. Conant, care of town clock	$ 20 00
Merrill & Mackintire, stationery	2 60
" " tax book	1 50
Henry L. Eaton, services in survey of Bomer's Hill	10 50
Henry L. Eaton, services in survey of Topsfield Road	11 50
James Bartlett, journey to Winchester for Salmon	3 30
" " expressage and ice	2 75

Paid Ira J. Patch, binding town reports and valuation books	6 20
A. D. and W. F. Trout, postage on non-residents' tax bills	3 27
Henry Hobbs, 4 hitching posts	4 00
" " journey to Winchester on account of fish	3 30
Wellington Pool, setting 4 hitching posts	50
Foote & Horton, printing town report, posters and tax bills	35 65
Foote & Horton, printing school report	12 54
" " " permits and notices to fish in Pleasant Pond	5 00
A. D. & W. F. Trout, postage	3 65
John Woodbury, labor on bound stone	50
H. H. Demsey, repairing pump	70
	$127 46

State Aid.

Paid Mary P. Merrill, under Acts 1879, Chap. 301	$ 48 00
John D Andrews, " " " " 252	101 95
	$149 95
John Hoyt, clothing and fare to Soldiers' Home.	10 00

Town Officers.

COLLECTOR.

Paid Elbridge Porter, collecting taxes 1880	$25 00
" " stationery and postage	1 50
	$26 50

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid R. F. Dodge, 8 days' services	$16 00
J. Choate, services	15 00
N. P. Perkins, 26 days' services	45 50
" " " preparing school reports and returns	5 00
	$81 50

TREASURER.

Paid Samuel Porter, salary	$25 00
" " three journeys to Boston	9 00
" " eight journeys to Salem	8 00
" " postage and stationery	50
	$42 50

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Poole, salary	$20 00
" " cash	4 80
Paid Wellington Poole, recording births, marriages and deaths	12 50
Wellington Poole, journey to Danvers	2 00
" " administering oaths and preparing cemetery deeds	4 10
Wellington Poole, postage and stationery	1 63
	$45 03

SELECTMEN.

Paid S. E. Kimball, 17 1-2 days' services	$29 75
" " conducting correspondence and preparing returns, &c	10 00
S. E. Kimball, journeys out of town and expenses,	4 00
" " 3 1-2 days perambulating town lines	5 95
John Gentlee, 17 days' services	28 90
" " journey out of town and expenses,	3 00
" " perambulating town lines	5 95
John I. Durgin, 17 days' services	28 90
" " perambulating town lines	5 95
	$122 40

ASSESSORS.

Paid S. E. Kimball, 8 days' services	$16 00
John Gentlee, 8 " "	16 00
John I. Durgin, 3 " "	6 00
	$38 00

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid S. E. Kimball, services for the year	$	9 00
" " journeys out of town and expenses,		8 90
" " cash		50
John Gentlee, services for the year		6 00
" " journeys out of town and expenses,		8 40
John I. Durgin, services for the year		6 00
Wellington Poole, journeys out of town and expenses,		6 92
" " searching records		1 19
	$	46 91

CONSTABLES AND POLICE.

Paid Michael Buckley, Police duty	$	2 00
" " 5 warrants		3 75
" " collecting dog tax		3 00
	$	8 75

Abatements.

1880.

Patrick Kavanagh, personal	$	5 00
Eben P. Caswell " not liable		1 00
Austin B. Clough, poll and personal		3 00
William Peabody, " " "		2 50
Horatio Norcross, poll		50
Charles Abbott, "		2 00
Anther Aiken, "		2 00
Frank A. Bagley, "		2 00
Paul M. Barnes, "		2 00
Alonzo P. Burnham, "		2 00
Richard H. Cloutman, "		2 00
Everett C. Cook "		2 00
Otis Clark, "		2 00
Albert E. Day, "		2 00
Winslow Day, "		2 00
Alphonso Day, "		2 00
Willie Grey, "		2 25
Eben Gould, "		2 00

Levi Groce,	poll,	2 00
William Hutchinson,	"	2 00
John Harrigan,	"	2 00
Edward Hall,	" and personal	2 25
Abbott W. Johnson,	"	2 00
Philip Kavanagh,	"	2 00
Daniel Quint,	"	2 00
Edward D. Stillman,	"	2 00
Frank Tarrieo,	"	2 00
Milton Woodman,	"	2 00
James Wilson,	"	2 00
Levi Riggs,	"	2 00
		$62 50

Summary of Town Expenses.

Schools	$1603 00
School Incidentals	87 16
Highway wards	732 08
Extra highway and bridges	167 35
Clearing Snow	600 76
Poor	488 38
Town House and Hall	125 14
Pound	36 65
Town Scales	332 28
Fire Department	9 70
Park	21 01
Incidentals	127 46
Bomer's Hill	292 56
Town Officers,	402 84
Constable and Police	8 75
State Aid	159 95
Interest on Town debt	237 92
Interest on Cemetery Funds	16 46
State Tax	495 00
County Tax	538 84
	$6483 29

In accordance with a vote of the Town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses :—

Schools	$1400 00
School Incidentals	100 00
Poor	700 00
Incidentals	1100 00
Interest	250 00
Highways and Bridges	900 00
	$4450 00

Treasurer's Account.

SAMUEL PORTER, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

To balance in Treasury, Feb. 21, 1881			$2317 93
Cash received, temporary loan			500 00
"	"	City of Salem for funeral expenses, Mrs. Dearborn	22 50
"	"	heirs of Mrs. E. G. Patch, cemetery lot	12 00
"	"	Mrs. E. Davis	12 00
"	"	Interest on County Tax	60
"	"	from State Treasurer, Corporation tax	51 36
"	"	" " " National Bank tax	231 67
"	"	" " " State Aid	41 00
"	"	" " " relief to indigent Soldiers and Sailors	44 00
"	"	from State Treasurer, State School fund	215 00
"	"	County Treasurer, dog tax	57 26
"	"	J. Kavanagh, poll tax	1 67
"	"	Wellington Poole, rent of Town Hall	119 56
"	"	" " old iron sold	33
"	"	" " 3 copies Town History	3 00
"	"	Miss S. A. Green, for school books	23
"	"	Elbridge Porter, Collector	5537 38
			$9168 52

Expenditures.

Error in account Feb. 21, 1881, on account of fish licenses	$ 5 40
Paid temporary loan	500 00
Interest on temporary loan	6 67
John I. Durgin, note	500 00
Interest on town debt	231 25
" on Cemetery Funds	16 46
County tax	538 84
State tax	495 00
State Aid	48 00
Aid to indigent Soldiers and Sailors	101 95
Selectmen's Orders	4446 12
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 21, 1882	2278 56
	$9168 25

ELBRIDGE PORTER, COLLECTOR FOR 1880–81 IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
To tax list of 1880 committed to him to collect	$5779 00
Addition to tax list	2 00
	$5781 00

	Cr.
By payment to Samuel Porter, Treasurer	$5140 25
Balance on highway book, unpaid by Orders	558 41
Uncollected taxes	82 34
	$5781 00

	Dr.
To tax list of 1881, committed to him to collect	$6083 78
Additions to tax list	20 00
	$6103 78

	Cr.
By payments to Samuel Porter, Treasurer	$5249 13
Balance on highway books, unpaid by orders	661 50
Uncollected taxes	193 15
	$6103 78

Financial Statement of the Town.

LIABILITIES.

Note due State of Massachusetts	$4000 00
" J. & A. Low	700 00
" Trustees of Cemetery Fund	475 00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Perkins, with interest to Feb. 1, 1882	1794 31
Estimated amount of outstanding bills	650 00
	$7619 31

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury	$2278 56
Due from Elbridge Porter	275 49
Due from the State, State Aid	183 00
	$2737 05
Balance against the town	$4882 26

SOLOMON E. KIMBALL,
JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

Town Clerk's Report, 1881.

MARRIAGES.

The number of marriages recorded was 7. With all but one of the parties it was the first marriage; with one it was the second. All but one were of American birth. Three were born in Wenham, and three were residents of the town at the time of marriage.

BIRTHS.

The number of births was 12; 7 males and 5 females. Ten were of American, one of mixed, and one of foreign parentage.

DEATHS.

The number of deaths was 10; 2 males and 8 females. All were of American birth; 4 were born in Wenham.

AGES.

One was still-born, one was one day, one 7 years, 14, 16, 20. 23, 31, 55, 78. In addition to the foregoing, 2 were brought to Wenham for interment.

DOGS.

Thirty-six dogs were licensed and registered, and from the amount received therefor the sum of sixty-three dollars, ($63), was paid into the County Treasury. The sum returned to the town was fifty-seven dollars and twenty-six cents, ($57.26).

FISHING PERMITS.

Permits to fish in Pleasant Pond were issued to forty-two persons, only ten of whom have made their returns of the number and weight of fish taken, as follows, viz. :—

Number of Black Bass,	1.	Weight, 2 3-4 lbs.	
" " Perch,	56.	" 24	"
" " Pickerel,	5.	" 4	"
" " other Fish,	44.	" 15	"

WELLINGTON POOLE, Town Clerk.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wenham, on MONDAY, the Sixth Day of March Next, at NINE o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

2. To act on the Annual Report of the Selectmen.

3. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, to make appropriation of the same, and determine the manner of collecting.

5. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money, in anticipation of the taxes, as may be necessary to meet current expenses.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for the expenses of Memorial Day, under the direction of the Sailors and Soldiers of Wenham

7. "To see if the Town will vote to procure a copy of the Record kept by the Rev. John Fisk, the first minister of Wenham, 1644–1656, and raise money for the same or act anything thereon."

8. "To hear and act on the report of the Committee on Topsfield Road, and a flagman at the railroad crossing at Wenham Causeway, and raise money for the same."

9. "To see if the Town will grant Joseph D. Marshall any compensation to repair and remove the snow from the road leading to his farm."

10. To see if the town will determine the place to relocate the Telephone pole near the Eastern corner of the Park.

11. To see if the Town will accept the Acts of 1867, Chapter 242, in relation to shade and ornamental trees standing in highways and streets.

12. "To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners, to widen and straighten the road from Curtis' Corner to Rubley Hill so called."

13. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? The ballots shall be "Yes" or "No".

14. To see if the Town will accept the list of jurors as proposed by the Selectmen.

15. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the meeting-houses in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Twenty-first day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two.

SOLOMON E. KIMBALL,
JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

Receipts and Expenditures

— OF THE —

Town of Wenham,

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING FEB. 12, 1883,

— WITH THE —

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1883.

REPORT.

School Department.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid	Minnie A. Gentlee, teaching Winter term, 1881–82	$ 63.00
	L. V. Wesel, teaching Spring term,	66.00
	" " " Fall "	60.50
	John K. Dodge, wood furnished,	19.75
	Benj. F. Burchstead, building fires and care of room,	5.00
		$214.25

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid	A. A. Wilkins, teaching Winter term, 1881–82.	$ 97.50
	N. H. Rogers, " Spring term,	90.00
	" " " Fall term,	88.00
	Charles Wilkins, wood furnished	23.62
	D. F. Meady, building fires and care of room,	5.00
		$304.12

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid	Carolyn O. Spofford, teaching Winter term, 1881–82,	$ 97.50
	Carolyn O. Spofford, teaching Spring term,	96.00
	" " " " Fall "	88.00
	Henry Tarr, wood	2.00
	John Girdler, for coal,	25.00
	Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,	19.88
		$328.38

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Paid Sarah A. Green, teaching Winter term, 1881–82,	$156.00
" " " " Spring "	144.00
" " " " Fall "	137.50
" " " " Winter " 1882–83,	62.50
C. H. Shattuck, Jr., sweeping school-room, 1881,	50
Henry Tarr, wood furnished,	2 00
John Girdler, coal "	60.00
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,	15.25
	$577.75

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid Sarah D. Rogers, teaching Winter term, 1881–82,	$110.50
Helen W. Trask, " Spring "	82.50
Annie R. Killorin, " Fall "	104.50
N. P. Perkins, wood furnished,	4.75
Joseph G. Kent, " "	16.75
H. N. Burpee, building fires and care of room,	5.00
	$324.00

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid J. Choate, Jr., cash,	$ 4.85
J. Choate, Jr., labor and stock,	5.50
Minnie A. Gentlee, setting glass and repairing door,	1.00
S. C. & E. A. Simonds,	.45
Mary Sullivan, cleaning Neck school-room,	2.50
N. P. Perkins, cash,	10.43
Cora P. Burchstead, cleaning school-house, East Wenham,	1.00
Merrill & Mackintire, books, ink, &c.,	11.71
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	1.89
Charles F. Elliott, labor and stock,	14.68
J. D. & J. W. Eaton, stove and funnel,	14.40
Sarah A. Green, repairing clock,	.75
Charles W. Batchelder,	4.70
	$73.86

Highway Department.

WARD ONE.

DANIEL W. PRESTON, SURVEYOR.

Paid Daniel W. Preston	$14.62
John K. Dodge	18.00
Addison Williams	5.10
Benjamin F. Burchstead	1.70
William H. Beck	3.40
John W. Higgins	2.55
Timothy Higgins	2.55
William Higgins	2 55
Edward E. Wyatt	1.70
George H. Wyatt	3.40
Mrs. M. Williams	2.55
	$58.12

WARD TWO.

CHARLES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid Robert F. Dodge	$16 66
Jacob Brown	5.10
John Gentlee	11.90
Thomas Thompson	15.30
Cyrus Tuttle	3.40
George W. Johnson	10.63
Thomas J. Peach	5.10
Charles T. Brown	8.93
	$77.02

WARD THREE.

ZACHARIAH COLE, SURVEYOR.

Paid Samuel R. Prince	$18.10
Charles Wilkins	16.73
Zachariah Cole	22.95
F. M. Dodge	11.08
F. R. Edwards	11.30

Paid Nicholas Dodge	6.80
Charles O. Killam	3.40
William T Tucker	3.40
Elbridge W. Perkins	3.40
	$97.16

WARD FOUR.

SIMEON DODGE, JR., SURVEYOR.

Paid William P. Dodge	$16.65
G. F. & F. S. Dodge	13.25
Joseph D. Marshall	6.80
Isaac Porter	3.23
D. Harrigan	3.40
Simeon Dodge, Jr	16.15
	$59.48

WARD FIVE.

DANIEL E. HOMAN, SURVEYOR

Paid J. Kavanagh	$33.27
Elbridge Porter	2.45
Henry Tarr	5.95
Mrs. H. E. Pingree	8.50
Michael Sullivan	2.45
J. F. Batchelder,	12.25
Henry Hobbs	12.25
Asa W. Trowt	2.55
Daniel A. Homan	5.10
George Casson	5.10
Daniel Homan	15.13
John Riggs	5.95
Patrick Kavanagh	13.20
J. L. Batchelder	7.35
Levi Hutchinson	3.40
J. B. Woodman	4.93
George Woodbury	1.70
Mrs. E. F. Waters	4.20
James Perkins	3.40

Paid William S. Cummings	11.53
Lyman Littlefield	3.40
Daniel Perkins	1.70
Elbridge Kimball	1.70
Henry Patch	3.40
	$170.86

WARD SIX.

DANIEL A. HOMAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid Everett K. Day	$ 7.57
Levi C. Hutchinson	2.55
Thomas M. Barnes	6.80
Paul M. Barnes	1.70
James L. Dodge	1.79
George W. Jones	6.80
Warren Jones	1.70
George Howe	1.70
John Caves	.85
Daniel A. Homan	10.54
	$42.00

WARD SEVEN.

ELBRIDGE A. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid Joseph G. Kent	$ 5.10
James N. Clark	8.50
Elbridge K. Standley	11.60
Ira D. Batchelder	15.20
Levi C. Hutchinson	1.70
William W. Goodwin	7.45
S. E. Kimball	.51
Elbridge A. Dodge	21.97
Samuel S. Cook	5.10
Stephen Cook	3.40
Harvey Pierce	3.40
J. V. Haynes	1.70
N. P. Perkins	10.60
Daniel A. Homan	.85
	$97.08

WARD EIGHT.

James T. Brown, Surveyor.

Paid James T. Brown	$ 9.60
Joseph Wesel	9.35
Thomas Clark	1.70
Charles A. Hayward	8.50
H. F. Skerry	10.00
Edward L. Kimball	9.35
Charles H. Stanton	3.40
	$51.90

GRAVEL.

Paid Daniel W. Preston	$ .45
Mrs. M. Williams	10.40
Robert F. Dodge	3.27
Thomas Thompson	7.26
Charles Wilkins	10.75
F. R. Edwards	18.33
Frank A. Standley	29.45
George Flint	5.90
Michael Sullivan	3.20
H. Pierce	.60
John A. Putnam	4.50
Joseph Wesel	8.20
	$102.31

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid Joseph M. Parsons, cement, drain pipe	$11.57
George Roundy, spruce plank and nails for bridge,	7.50
John Gentlee, teaming and laying drain pipe,	5.00
" " labor near Grapevine bridge,	10.50
Samuel R. Prince, labor near Grapevine bridge	7.80
C. O. Killam, " " " "	3.00
H. N. Norcross, Jr., " " " "	2.00
Geo. W. Johnson, " " " "	3.00
Cyrus Tuttle, " " " "	2.00
Thomas H Gray, " " " "	1.00
Jacob Brown, " " " "	2.00

Paid John Gentlee, furnishing and setting guide-posts,	2.00
Z. Cole, labor and teaming,	2.75
Elbridge A. Dodge, labor	4.42
Ira D. Batchelder, labor on Topsfield road,	7.35
Wm. W. Goodwin, " " "	7.45
Elbridge A. Dodge, " " "	5.10
Elbridge K. Standley, " " "	2.45
John A. Putnam, gravel, " "	1.20
Dudley Town, " " "	1.70
Daniel E. Homan, picking rock and hauling gravel,	2.55
	$92.34

GRAPEVINE ROAD.

Paid Francis W. Brown, hauling 805 10-27 yards of gravel,	$86.57
Wm. Morgan, moving and building 28 rods wall,	35 00
John Gentlee, labor,	3.75
" " tending lantern 21 nights,	4.20
Horatio N. Norcross, Jr., labor,	10.50
John Gentlee, grading road as per contract,	47 00
	$187.02

Snow.

WARD ONE.

	1883.	1882.
Paid John W. Dodge	$1.30	$1.35
Addison Williams	1.00	1.20
E. E. Wyatt		1.20
George H. Wyatt		1.20
D. W. Preston	1.00	1.20
John F. Wyatt		1.00
	$3.30	$7.15

WARD TWO.

	1883.	1882.
Paid John Gentlee	$1.88	$3.10
Jacob Brown		1.70

Paid Thomas Thompson	2.00	3.60
George W. Johnson	1.38	3.65
Thomas J. Peach	1.00	2.10
Cyrus Tuttle	.40	.60
Charles T. Brown	1.40	
	$8.06	$14.75

WARD THREE.

	1883.	1882.
Paid Samuel R. Prince	$1.23	$9 45
F. M. Dodge	1.23	7.05
Charles Wilkins	1.63	12.10
Z. Cole	.60	3.80
Jacob E. Dodge		3 80
Nicholas Dodge		3 80
Charles O. Killam	.40	1.40
James Powers		1.40
S. Norcross		.20
F. R. Edwards	1.40	
Charles Hawkins	.55	
	$7.04	$43 00

WARD FOUR.

	1883.	1882.
Paid William P. Dodge	$1.57	$3 65
George F. Dodge	1.57	2.88
Edward Standley		1.35
Simeon Dodge, Jr.,	1.40	7.00
	$4.54	$14.88

WARD FIVE.

	1882.
Paid Henry Tarr	$ .50
Michael Sullivan	1.40
Charles Shattuck	.30
Daniel Perkins	1.40
J. Woodman	.40
J. Riggs	.40
A. Webber	.40

Paid R. Cloutman	.40
William S. Cummings	13.90
Daniel E. Homan	4.00
	$23.10

WARD SIX.

	1882.
Paid Paul M. Barnes	$ .30
Thomas Barnes	.30
Charles Homan	.80
George Channel	.65
D. A. Homan	2.50
Everett K. Day	.50
George Jones	.50
	$5.55

WARD SEVEN.

	1882.
Paid Ira D. Batchelder	$1.15
S. E. Kimball	1.00
L. W. Batchelder	1.15
Elbridge A Dodge	2.30
	$5.60

WARD EIGHT.

	1882.
Paid Edward L. Kimball	$1.20
James T. Brown	1.20
	$2.40

Poor Department.

GEORGE W. BABCOCK.

Paid George H. Hackett, medical attendance	$ 15.00
East Saugus, supplies furnished,	167.28
	$182.28

MARY TUTTLE.

Paid Charles W. Batchelder, supplies furnished	$ 2.70
Samuel R. Prince, wood furnished	6.00

Paid S. E. Thayer, medical attendance,	26.00
A. D. & W. Trowt, goods furnished,	108.19
James H. Perkins, medicines,	6.40
	$149.29

SARAH BUNKER.

Paid Town of Marblehead, supplies,	$ 30.82

LUCY A. STRAVIS.

Paid City of Lynn, supplies,	$ 3.75

RICHARD BURNHAM.

Paid Daniel Richards & Son, supplies furnished,	$ 82.06
First District Court, case Mary E. Burnham,	2 55
S. A. Johnson, " " "	6.80
Joseph G. Kent, wood furnished,	3.00
Sanger, Hood & Co , coal,	7.00
	$101.41

SARAH WYATT.

Paid City of Boston, supplies furnished,	$ 57.00

LOCK-UP AND TRAMPS.

Paid Louisa M. Shattuck, washing blankets, ticks, and pillow cases,	$ 5.00
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies furnished,	1.36
Horace W. Dodge, labor and stock,	4.92
E. P. Caswell, labor and stock,	1.00
Henry Hobbs, care,	25.00
" " returning boy to Salem three times,	3.00
" " rations served to 130 tramps,	12.00
" " refilling beds and pillows. and expressage	2.25
	$54.53

Town House and Hall.

Paid John Girdler, for coal,	$32.00
Henry Hale & Co., feather duster,	1.50
William B. Morgan, labor and use of jacks and blocking,	6.50
William B. Morgan, cash,	3.87
Henry Hale, square lantern,	3.50
Henry Tarr, wood furnished,	3.00
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, oil furnished,	2.92
Charles F. Elliott, stock and labor,	.90
Jason Clark, stock and labor,	2.75
Wellington Pool, care of Selectmen's room, Town Hall, and fund,	37.00
C. F. Dudley, labor and stock,	.50
	$94.44

Fire Department.

Paid Josiah B. Brown, labor on engine,	$ .85
F. E. Perkins, hauling engine to fires,	5.00
J. Choate, Jr., stock and labor on engine,	7.00
J. Kavanagh, hauling engine to fires,	2.00
James M Shattuck, labor on engine, hose and sail,	3.00
P. H. Kavanagh, labor on engine,	2.83
" " cash,	4.35
	$25.03

Park.

Paid A. D. & W. F. Trowt, red top and lawn dressing,	$1.88
Wellington Pool, labor,	6.29
	$8.17

Incidentals.

Paid J. H. Conant, care of town clock,	$ 20.00
J. Choate, labor on sofa,	.25
Estate A. C. White, tending lantern, and damages by hauling gravel,	5.00
Henry L. Eaton, survey of road near Curtis's corner,	4.00
G. A. Haskell, survey and plan of town line,	32.00
John Gentlee, cash to County Commissioners,	2.00
" " circulating petition and journeys out of town on account of road,	4.50
B. H. Conant, extra labor on clock,	3.00
J. Choate, Jr., painting box to hay scales,	1.60
Merrill & Mackintire, blank books, tax book, and stationery,	3.07
C. S. Gage, coffin stop in hearse,	5.25
J. Choate, Jr , painting guide-boards,	5.00
David Pulsifer, for Rev. John Fisk's record,	60 00
Foote & Horton, printing town reports,	32.00
" " printing school reports,	14.16
" " printing Assessors' notices and tax bills,	5.50
H. W. Dodge, furnishing stock and making guide-boards,	3.00
Alexander Webber, two days' labor on rocks for scales,	3.40
Salem Press, paper furnished Town Clerk,	2.75
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, lantern,	1.00
" " " postage stamps and postals	1.25
Henry Hobbs, straps for hearse,	2.00
Jason Clarke, hanging hearse on runners,	.75
C. F. Dudley, sharpening picks,	.50
	$211.98

State Aid.

Paid Mary P. Merrill, under Acts 1879, Chap. 301, ... $48.00

Constables and Police.

Paid Michael Buckley,	three warrants,	$2.25
" "	collecting dog tax,	3.00
" "	notice to owner,	.50
" "	services as truant officer,	2.00
" "	services as night police,	2.00
		$9.75

Town Officers.

COLLECTORS.

Paid Elbridge Porter,	collecting taxes 1880	$ 25.00
" " " "	1881	50.00
P. H. Kavanagh,	" "	30.00
" "	postage collecting taxes,	3.90
		$108.90

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid R. F. Dodge,	services for year ending March, '82,	$15.00
J. Choate, Jr.,	" " " " '82,	16.00
N. P. Perkins,	26 days' services,	45.50
" "	preparing school report and returns	5.00
J. Choate, Jr.,	services for 1882,	7.00
		$88.50

TREASURER.

Paid Samuel Porter,	salary,	$25.00
" "	services and expenses out of town,	17.00
" "	postage and stationery,	.70
		$42.70

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Pool,	salary,	$20.00
" "	cash,	2.10
" "	recording births, marriages, and deaths,	16.95

Wellington Pool, journey to Danvers, ...	2.00
" " administering oaths and preparing cemetery deeds, ...	4.05
Wellington Pool, postage and stationery,...	2.10
	$47.20

SELECTMEN.

Paid S. E. Kimball, 17 1-2 days' services,..... ..	$29.75
" " conducting correspondence, preparing returns, &c	10.00
S. E. Kimball, journeys out of town and expenses,	8.00
John Gentlee, 17 1-2 days' services, ...	29.75
" " journeys out of town and expenses..	3.50
John I. Durgin, 17 1-2 days' services,.....	29.75
" " journeys out of town and expenses	6.00
	$116.75

ASSESSORS.

Paid S. E. Kimball, 8 days' services,.....	$16.00
" " journeys to Boston and expenses,..	3.00
John Gentlee, 7 1-2 days' services,.....	15.00
" " cash,.....	.50
John I. Durgin, 8 days' services,..... .	16.00
	$50.50

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid S. E. Kimball, services for the year,.....	$ 9.00
" " journeys out of town and expenses,	3.70
John Gentlee, services for the year, ...	6 00
" " journeys out of town and expenses,.	3.00
John I. Durgin, services for the year,.....	6.00
" " journey out of town and expenses,	1.00
	$28.70

Abatements.

1881.

Henry Alley, Jr.,	poll,	$ 2.00
Otis Alley,	"	2.00
William N. Burgess,	"	2.00
Charles E. Broughton,	"	2.00
Paul N. Barnes,	"	2.00
Alonzo P. Burnham,	"	2.00
Richard H. Cloutman,	"	2.00
Austin B. Clough,	" and personal,	3.04
Samuel Clark,	"	2 00
Otis Clark,	"	2.00
William O. Fletcher,	"	2.00
Allen Fletcher,	"	2.00
Alonzo H. Gray,	"	2.00
Eben Gould,	"	2.00
Augustus Hutchinson,	"	2.00
Levi C. Hutchinson,	"	2.00
William Hutchinson,	"	2 00
Hannah J. Hutchinson,	personal,	.78
John Harrigan,	poll,	2.00
Warren Hobbs,	"	2.00
A. W. Johnson,	"	2.00
George E. Johnson,	"	2.00
William Kimball,	" and personal,	2 78
William Peabody,	" "	2.78
Alfred J. Merrill,	"	2 00
Philip Kavanagh,	"	2.00
John Mildram,	"	2.00
A. G. Pickard,	" and personal,	2.52
William Saunders,	"	2.00
Levi Riggs,	"	2.00
Frank Tarrieo,	"	2.00
Charles Tarrieo,	"	2.00
Alexander Webber,	"	2.00
Amos C. White,	"	2.00
Frank Winters,	"	2 00
George Wellington,	"	2.00

John Cambell,	poll,	2.00
Daniel Evans,	"	2.00
John Wyatt, part of	"	.33
Edward E. Wyatt,	"	2.00
Frank E. Perkins, too much real,		1.04
Charles A. Kilham, too much real,		1 04
Charles F. Elliott, too much personal,		1.04
John Mildram, poll,		2.00
John Meacom, too much real,		.26
		$85.61

Summary of Town Expenses.

Schools,	$1,748.50
School Incidentals,	73 86
Highway Wards,	755.93
Extra Highway and Bridges,	92.34
Extra labor on Grapevine street,	187.02
Clearing Snow,	139.37
Poor,	579.08
Town House and Hall,	94 44
Fire Department,	25.03
Park,	8.17
Incidentals,	211.98
Town Officers,	483.25
Constable and Police,	9.75
State Aid,	48.00
Interest on Town Debt,	225.00
Interest on Cemetery Funds,	17.57
State Tax,	660.00
County Tax,	538.84
Abatements,	85.61
	$5,983.74

In accordance with a vote of the Town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses :—

Schools,	$14,00.00
School Incidentals,	1,00

Poor,	6.00
Incidentals,	10.00
Interest,	2.50
Highways and Bridges,	9.00
	$42.50

Treasurer's Account.

SAMUEL PORTER, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

Balance in Treasury, Feb. 20, 1882,	$2,278.56
Cash received, Elbridge Porter, Collector,	275.49
" " " for real estate sold, subject to redemption,	17.08
Cash received, Wellington Pool, rent of Town Hall,	83.50
" F. E. Perkins, cemetery lot,	12.00
" Mary M. Clark,	12.00
" State Military Aid,	108.00
" Corporation tax, 1881,	1.77
" " " 1882,	53.42
" Bank Tax,	252.94
" Indigent Soldiers and Sailors,	51.13
" Dog Tax,	86.15
" State School Fund,	214.16
" P. H. Kavanagh, Collector,	5,460.00
" Nicholas Dodge, on account of wall,	8.00
" James H. Perkins, Jr., for hay scales,	25.43
	$8,939.63

PAYMENTS.

Error in last account,	$ .76
Interest on Town Debt,	225.00
Interest on Cemetery Fund,	17.57
State Aid,	48.00
County Tax,	538.84
State Tax,	660.00
Selectmen's Orders,	4,494.33
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 16th, 1883,	2,955.13
	$8,939.63

COLLECTORS FOR 1880, 1881, 1882, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

ELBRIDGE PORTER, COLLECTOR, 1880–81.

	Dr.
Balance due on Tax Lists,	$275.49
	Cr.
By payment to Samuel Porter, Treasurer,	$275.49

PATRICK KAVANAGH, COLLECTOR, 1882.

	Dr.
To tax list committed to him to collect,	$5,524.00
	Cr.
By payments to Samuel Porter, Treasurer,	$5,460.00
Uncollected Taxes,	64.00
	$5,524.00

Financial Statement of the Town.

LIABILITIES.

Note due State of Massachusetts,	$4,000.00
" J. & A. Low,	700.00
" Trustees Cemetery Fund,	475.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Perkins, with interest to Feb 1, 1882,	1,884.02
Due on Cemetery Fund,	35.95
Estimated amount of outstanding bills,	500.00
	$7,594.97

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	$2,955.13
Due from Patrick Kavanagh,	64 00
Due from the State, State Aid,	48.00
	$3,067.13
Balance against the Town,	4,527.84

SOLOMON E. KIMBALL,
JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

Town Clerk's Report, 1882.

MARRIAGES.

Eight marriage certificates were issued during the year, one of which has not been returned for record, as the law requires.

The number of marriages recorded was thirteen. With all but one of the parties it was the first marriage, with one it was the second. All but one were of American birth. Ten were born in Wenham. Nine, including both parties of two couples, were residents of the town at the time of their marriage, and seventeen, including both parties of six couples, were non-residents.

BIRTHS.

The number of births was eleven, seven males (including a pair of twins), and four females. All were of American parentage.

DEATHS.

The number of deaths was sixteen, eleven males and five females. All but one were of American birth; six were born in Wenham.

AGES.

One was one day; two nearly one year; one 8 years, 29, 33, 36, 44, 56, 61; two were 72; two were 75; and one 84.

Four of the adults died very suddenly, viz.:—

Capt. James N. Clarke dropped dead in a store in Salem on the last day of July, in his 37th year.

Aug. 26th, Mr. William K. Merrill was struck by an express train of the Eastern Railroad at North Beverly, from whence he was taken to the Salem Hospital, where he died soon after arriving there, in his 45th year Mr. Merrill served in Co. I, First Mass. Heavy Artillery.

Sept. 16th, Mrs. Hannah J. (Larrabee), wife of Mr. Levi C. Hutchinson, died of convulsions, in her 34th year.

Dec. 21st, Mr. Ira Kimball dropped dead in his own home, aged 75 years.

In addition to the foregoing, four were brought to Wenham from other places for interment, two of whom (formerly of

Wenham) were in service, viz.: Mr. Elbridge G. Hawkins, in the Second Mass. Heavy Artillery, and afterwards in the Regular Army; and Mr. John P. Merrill, in the Navy.

DOGS.

Fifty dogs—47 males and 3 females—were licensed and registered, and from the amount received therefor the sum of ninety-nine dollars ($99.00) was paid into the County Treasury. The sum returned to the town was eighty-six dollars and fifteen cents, ($86.15).

FISHING PERMITS.

Permits to fish in Pleasant Pond were issued to eleven persons; only five returns were made, and no fish were reported taken.

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

ESSEX, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wenham, on MONDAY, the Fifth Day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

2. To act on the Annual Report of the Selectmen.

3. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, to make appropriation of the same, and determine the manner of collecting.

5. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money, in anticipation of the taxes, as may be necessary to meet current expenses.

6. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? The ballots shall be "Yes" or "No."

7. To see if the Town will accept the list of jurors as proposed by the Selectmen.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of laying out additional lots in the cemetery, and to place suitable bound stones at the corners of the avenues thereof; also to have a survey and plan made of the "Proprietors' Ground," (so called), and to place like bound stones at the corners of the avenues in the same.

9. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to purchase a new hearse body.

10. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the meeting-houses in said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

SOLOMON E. KIMBALL,
JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

Receipts and Expenditures

— OF THE —

Town of Wenham,

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING FEB. 11, 1884,

— WITH THE —

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1884.

REPORT.

School Department.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid L. V. Wesel, teaching Winter Term, 1882–83,	$	78 00
Sarah B. Butler, " Spring "		66 00
C. A. Keife, " Fall "		55 00
Hattie L. Fiske, " " "		5 50
J. K. Dodge, two cords wood,		18 00
Benj. F. Burchstead, building fires and care of room,		5 00
	$227.50	

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid Nellie H. Rogers, teaching Winter term, 1882–83,	$110	50
S. E. Symmes, " Spring "		102 00
Mary D. French, " Fall "		108 00
Charles Wilkins, two cords of wood,		18 00
D. F. Meady, building fires and care of room,		5 00
	$343	50

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid Carolyn O. Spofford, teaching Winter term, 1882–83,	$104	00
Carolyn O. Spofford, teaching Spring term,		96 00
" " " " Fall "		96 00
John Girdler, coal furnished,		20 00
G. C. Rankins, Franklin coal furnished,		5 25
B. S. Lunt, funnel and lining stove,		11.80
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,		18 95
	$352	00

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Paid M. A. Smith, teaching Winter term, 1883,	$	80 00
" " " Spring "		114 00
" " " Fall "		114 00
John Girdler, coal furnished,		52 00
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,		16 00
	$376	00

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid A. R. Killorin, teaching Winter term, 1882–83,	$140	00
" " " Spring "		114 00
" " " Fall "		114 00
N. P. Perkins, wood furnished,		3 00
John W. L. Moulton, wood furnished,		7 25
Henry N. Burpee, building fires and care of room,		5 00
Joseph G. Kent, wood furnished,		14 50
	$397	75

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid Louisa M. Shattuck, cleaning Primary School-room,	$	3 00
N. H. Rogers, globe,		60
M. A. Smith, call bell,		75
L. M. Shattuck, cleaning school-room,		1 00
Boston School Supply Co., books for teachers and poor scholars,		6 50
Mrs. Soper, cleaning West School-room,		70
C. M. Buffum, glass,		20
Foote & Horton, advertising for teacher,		1 00
George H. Woodbury, pointing underpinning of Centre and West School-houses,		5 00
Foote & Horton, printing School Report,		14 00
Elbridge A. Dodge, banking West School-house,		6 80
N. P. Perkins, " " "		3 40
George Flint, gravel,		85
H. W. Dodge, setting glass,		1 00

Paid J. D. & J. W. Eaton, stove, funnel, damper, and receiver,	$	16 78
George H. Woodbury, stock and labor on Neck and East School-houses		10 00
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, brush and broom, West School,		60
Merrill & Mackintire, ink,		4.30
" " ink wells,		50
" " Webster's Unabridged Dictionary,		9 00
P. H. Kavanagh, labor and gravel banking Primary School-house,		6 91
		$92 89

Highway Department.

WARD ONE.

DANIEL W. PRESTON, SURVEYOR.

Paid George H. Wyatt,	$	2 89
Edward E. Wyatt,		4 25
Philip Morrill, Jr.,		2 38
George D. Batchelder,		85
William Beck,		2 89
Mrs. Fanny Burchstead,		3 23
Benj. F. Burchstead,		5 27
Addison Williams,		3 74
Mrs. Geo. M. Williams,		3 74
J. K. Dodge,		12 68
Daniel W. Preston,		20 19
		$62 11

WARD TWO.

CHARLES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid R. F. Dodge,	$	15 30
" " gravel, three cents per load,		2 64

Paid Thomas Thompson,	$ 20	40
John Gentlee,	9	73
" " gravel, three cents per load,	5	40
Charles T. Brown,	10	62
Jacob Brown,	6	80
George W. Johnson,	8	35
Thomas J. Peach,	5	10
Cyrus Tuttle,	3	40
Thomas H. Gray,	1	70
	$89	44

WARD THREE.

JOHN P. CONANT, SURVEYOR.

Paid S. R. Prince,	$ 13	90
Z. Cole,	6	80
F. M. Dodge,	10	20
Jacob Dodge,	3	40
Mrs. Pingree,	3	40
Charles Wilkins,	18	90
F. R. Edwards,	21	84
" " gravel, 89 loads,	4	90
John P. Conant,	5	50
	$88	84

WARD FOUR.

WILLIAM P. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid G. F. & F. S. Dodge,	$ 13	25
Simeon Dodge, Jr.,	17	00
William P. Dodge,	17	50
J. D. Marshall,	4	25
Timothy P. Dodge,	4	25
D Harrigan,	3	40
F. R. Edwards, gravel, 54 ox loads,	4	32
" " " 99 horse loads,	4	95
	$68	92

WARD FIVE.

Paid Francis A. Stanley, gravel, 215 loads,	$ 21	35
F. E. Perkins, " 5 "		25
Michael Sullivan,	17	60
Elbridge Porter,	23	85
J. F. Batchelder,	12	25
Joseph L. Batchelder,	10	25
Jerry Kavanagh,	14	50
Elbridge Kimball,	6	40
James H. Perkins,	6	40
Henry Patch,	5	30
Humphrey Clark,	6	97
Henry Tarr,	7	65
Milton A. Woodman,	7	65
Mr. Tinkham,	5	95
George Perkins,	3	40
Daniel A. Homan,	5	10
Warren Jones,	5	95
Dennis Harrigan,	4	25
Arthur Merrill,	2	72
Joseph B. Woodman,	2	55
P. H. Kavanagh,	23	66
Daniel Perkins, 24 loads gravel,	1	20
	$195	20

WARD SIX.

DANIEL A. HOMAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid Thomas Barnes,	$ 4	34
Warren Jones,	5	53
George Jones,	2	55
D. A. Homan,	6	72
Frank Gould,	1	70
George Perkins,	1	70
Moses Dearborn,	1	70
James L Dodge,	1	36
Everett Day,	3	40
Frank A. Stanley,	9	70
	$38	70

WARD SEVEN.

Elbridge A. Dodge, Surveyor.

Paid Joseph Kent,	$	7 65
Ira D. Batchelder,		10 95
George Flint, gravel,		8 75
George W. Peabody,		3 40
Samuel S. Cook,		8 50
Harvey Pierce,		4 25
Stephen Cook,		4 25
Estate of James Clark,		3 40
E. K. Standley,		6 70
N. P. Perkins,		10 60
William B. Morgan,		9 80
" " " gravel, 83 loads,		4 15
Elbridge A. Dodge,		28 39
	$	110 79

WARD EIGHT.

James T. Brown, Surveyor.

Paid James T. Brown,	$	14 80
Edward L. Kimball,		12 75
Joseph Wesel,		5 10
" " gravel,		10 20
T. Clark,		1 70
H. F. Skerry,		8 20
Charles A. Hayward,		3 40
Charles H. Stanton,		1 70
	$	57 85

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid George Roundy, lumber and nails for railing	$	14 33
John K. Dodge, drain pipe and labor in Ward 1,		5 19
George W. Peabody, for railing,		64
R. F. Dodge, labor and gravel in Ward Two,		4 38
John Gentlee, labor in Ward Two,		2 55
Charles T. Brown, labor in Ward Two,		2 04
Cyrus Tuttle, labor in Ward Two,		1 19

Paid Mrs. Waters, labor on Ward Five,	$	7 05
J. Kavanagh, " " "		4 33
Wm. H. Kavanagh, labor in Ward Five,		1 70
Milton M. Woodman, " " "		1 70
D. Harrigan, " " "		1 70
Charles Perkins, " " "		1 70
M. Shattuck, " " "		1 70
Charles Shattuck, " " "		1 70
Henry Tarr, " " "		1 70
J. L. Batchelder, " " "		1 70
Daniel A. Homan, " " "		1 70
Richard Cloutman, " " "		85
Michael Sullivan, " " "		4 90
F. Batchelder, " " "		4 90
P. H. Kavanagh, " " "		6 75
F. A. Standley, gravel, " "		5 80
Elbridge A. Dodge, labor in Ward Seven,		5 78
Ira D. Batchelder, " " "		85
J. K. Dodge, labor in Ward One,		85
Addison Williams, labor in Ward One,		1 70
Daniel W. Preston, labor in Ward One,		2 55
" " gravel,		50
John Gentlee, 40 cedar posts,		19 20
" " labor, teaming, and building railing		14 70
Elbridge A. Dodge, labor on Topsfield road,		6 63
Warren Jones & Son, " " "		4 25
E. K. Standley, " " "		4 80
William Goodwin, " " "		7 35
Daniel A. Homan, " " "		85
Dudley P. Townes, 60 loads gravel,		3 00
	$153	21

GRAPEVINE ROAD.

Paid John Gentlee, hauling 127 1-2 yards of gravel,	$	30 60
" " three days spreading gravel,		5 10
" " plowing,		95
" " grading, as per contract,		160 00
	$196	65

Snow.

WARD ONE.

Paid J. K. Dodge,	$	1 30
Addison Williams,		80
P. Morrill,		55
B. F. Burchstead,		55
D. W. Preston,		20
	$	3 40

WARD TWO.

Paid Charles T. Brown,	$	4 40
Thomas Thompson,		8 40
George W. Johnson,		4 00
Thomas J. Peach,		3 20
John Gentlee,		20
	$	20 20

WARD THREE.

Paid John P. Conant,	$	2 80
F. R. Edwards,		3 37
F. M. Dodge,		3 35
Charles Wilkins,		3 35
Samuel R. Prince,		3 35
Nicholas Dodge,		50
	$	16 72

WARD FOUR.

Paid G. F. & F. S. Dodge,	$	2 48
Simeon Dodge,		3 30
W. P. Dodge,		3 18
	$	8 96

WARD FIVE.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh,	$	12 50
M. Sullivan,		10 00
Milton Woodman		60
William S. Cummings,	$	1 80
Joseph L. Batchelder,		2 00
Elbridge Porter,		1 80
B. S. Knowlton,		80
J. B. Woodman,		1 20
	$	30 70

WARD SIX.

Paid J. Kavanagh	$	1 90
Daniel A. Homan,		3 05
George Jones,		1 60
William Barnes,		1 50
Algie Staten,		1 30
Everett Day,		1 30
Warren Jones,		70
Horace Caves,		60
Thomas Barnes,		25
Paul Barnes,		25
	$	12 45

WARD SEVEN.

Paid Elbridge A. Dodge,	$	5 00
Samuel S. Cook,		2 80
Elbridge K. Standley,		1 60
Luther Batchelder,		1 60
	$	11 00

WARD EIGHT.

Paid James T. Brown,	$	1 80
Edward L. Kimball,		1 20
	$	3 00

Poor Department.

GEORGE W. BABCOCK.

Paid Town of Saugus, supplies furnished,	$	2 25
" Wakefield, " "		98 25
	$100	50

MARY TUTTLE.

Paid E. P. Dodge, coal furnished,	$	3 75
Julia P. Messer, pair of shoes,		75
James H. Perkins, medicines,		5 25
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies furnished,		101 95
	$111	70

RICHARD BURNHAM.

Paid C. P. Perkins, stove and funnel,	$	13 00
Joseph G. Kent, wood furnished,		9 00
Daniel Richards & Son, goods furnished,		110 71
Sanger, Hood & Co.,		15 00
P. M. Chase, medical attendance,		5 00
	$152	71

SARAH L. BUNKER.

Paid Marblehead, supplies furnished,	$	3 75
Lynn, supplies furnished,		5 25
	$9	00

SARAH WYATT.

Paid City of Boston, supplies furnished,	$	61 73

JOHN A. HOYT.

Paid Town of Georgetown, supplies furnished,	$	34 50

LOCK-UP AND TRAMPS.

Paid B. S. Lunt, funnel,	$	1 80
Daniel A. Homan, care of 231 tramps,		19 50
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies furnished,		17 08
William Hall, supplies furnished,		70
	$39	08

Town House and Hall.

Paid George H. Woodbury, stock and labor,	$	4 32
John Girdler, coal furnished,		32 00
H. W. Dodge, labor and stock,		4 21
Zina Goodell, mending hand rail,		1 00
B. S. Lunt, cleaning out furnace and pipe,		1 00
" " labor and team,		2 00
William E. Porter, stock and labor,		4 76
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies furnished,		8 03
Wellington Pool, care of Selectmen's room and Town Hall,		40 88
		$98 20

Park and Common.

Paid Wellington Pool, labor,	$	9 12

Fire Department.

Paid Daniel A. Homan, cleaning engine,	$	2 00
" " services at M. Dodge's fire,		2 00
J. Kavanagh, hauling engine to " "		1 00
Elbridge A. Dodge, services at " "		2 50
Henry Tarr, labor on engine,		1 80
P. H. Kavanagh, services at M. Dodge's fire,		1 00
" " repairs on engine,		2 75
" " one pair hames,		1 50
		$14.55

Incidentals.

Paid Salem Press, binding church records	$	4 00
" " paging record book		50
" " binding " "		1 75
" " " Treasurer's accounts		1 75
Frothingham & Fifield, coal hod		75
B. H. Conant, care of town clock		20 00

Paid B. H. Conant, procuring and adjusting new ropes for weights	6 00
Jason Clark, cash, stock and labor for painting and repairing Hearse	43 55
Henry Hale, feather duster for Hearse,	2 66
N. T. Clark, 17 granite posts for cemetery,	12 00
Craig & Tucker, Safe,	85 00
Eastern Railroad, expressage on Safe,	1 89
Foote & Horton, printing list of voters,	5 50
" " " " town report,	32 00
" " " " posters, blanks, and tax bills,	6 92
Henry A. Davis, adjusting and sealing weights and measures,	7 55
John Gentlee, teaming posts for Cemetery,	2 25
James H. Perkins, town scale book,	1 25
Warren Jones, labor in Cemetery and on safes	4 00
William B. Morgan, furnishing, preparing and setting guide board post, and building fence,	3 00
Merrill and Mackintire, pass and receipt books,	89
" " " Tax-Collector's book,	1 75
Wellington Pool, labor on Cemetery,	10 52
Dr. F. A. Cowles, certificate in case of Kimball Drew,	1 00
P. H. Kavanagh, labor and team in Cemetery,	5 23
" " " team and labor, moving safe,	3 00
Henry L. Eaton, services on Grapevine Road,	2 00
" " " Administering oaths,	35
	$267 06

Town Officers.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid R. F. Dodge, services for the year ending March, 1883,	$ 19 50
N. P. Perkins, 29 1-2 days' services, year ending March, 1883,	50 15

Paid N. P. Perkins, preparing School Report and returns,	$	5 00
N. P. Perkins, journeys out of town,		1 40
J. H. Moulton, seven days' services,		14 00
" " car fare to Salisbury,		1 10
	$91	15

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Pool, salary,	$	20 00
" " journey to Danvers,		2 00
" " recording births, marriages, and deaths, and making returns,		13 55
Wellington Pool, cash,		3 35
" " stationery and postage,		1 93
" " administering oaths,		2 90
" " preparing cemetery deeds,		2 00
	$45	73

COLLECTORS.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh, collecting taxes, 1882,	$	10 00
Henry Hobbs, part payment, collecting taxes, 1883,		15 00
	$25	00

CONSTABLES AND POLICE.

Paid Elbridge Porter, serving two warrants,	$	2 00
Michael Buckley, services and town warrant,		3 50
" " services, dog warrants,		3 50
	$9	00

SELECTMEN.

Paid S. E. Kimball, 18 1-2 days' services,	$	31 45
" " journey to Boston and expenses,		3 00
" " conducting correspondence, preparing returns, &c.,		10 00
John Gentlee, 18 1-2 days' services,		31 45
" " journey to Boston and expenses,		3 00
John I. Durgin, 18 1-2 days' services,		31 45
	$110	35

ASSESSORS.

Paid S. E. Kimball, eight days' services,	$ 16 00
" " copying estimate,	7 00
John Gentlee, eight days' services,	16 00
John I. Durgin, eight days' services,	16 00
	$55 00

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid S. E. Kimball, services for the year,	$ 9 00
" " journeys out of town,	1 00
John Gentlee, services for the year,	6 00
" " journeys and expenses out of town,	5 65
" " cash,	25
John I. Durgin, services for the year,	6 00
	$27 90

TREASURER.

Paid Henry Patch, salary,	$ 25 00
" " services and expenses out of town,	17 00
" " postage and stationery,	60
	$42.60

State Aid.

Paid Mary P. Merrill, under Acts 1879, Chap. 301	$ 48 00
Cyrus Tuttle " " " "	8 00
Thomas H. Clark " " " Chap. 252,	62 00
Kimball H. Drew " " " "	9 00
	$127 00

Abatements.

1882.

Augustus Hutchinson, one-half poll,	$ 1 00
Levi C. Hutchinson, one-half poll,	1 00
Richard H. Cloutman, one-half poll,	1 00
Levi Ham, deceased, poll,	2 00
Levi Ham, too much real,	2 88

William K. Merrill, deceased,	2 00
Paul M. Barnes, one-half poll,	1 00
John Mildram, poll,	2 00
Hannah J. Hutchinson, personal,	24
William Kimball, personal,	72
Charles Wyatt, too much personal,	92
George Brewer, moved out of town,	2 72
Proctor K. Brown, poll,	2 00
James Clark, deceased,	2 00
George H. Ellis, moved from town, poll,	2 00
Allen Fletcher, moved from town, poll,	2 00
Thomas H. Gray, poll,	2 00
Eben Gould, poll and personal,	2 24
William Hutchinson, moved from town, poll,	2 00
John Harrigan, moved from town, poll,	2 00
Philip Kavanagh, moved from town, poll,	2 00
Horatio Norcross, moved from town, poll,	2 00
Stephen Purdy, moved from town, poll,	2 00
John L. Peach, deceased,	2 00
Lorenzo Quint, moved from town, poll and personal,	2 48
Charles F. Sheldon, moved from town, poll,	2 00
Walter L. Wedger, moved from town, poll,	2 00
Milton A. Woodman, poll,	2 00
Richard S. Mathews, moved from town, poll,	2 00
Hiram Kilpatrick, moved from town, poll,	2 00
	$54 20

Summary of Town Expenses.

Schools,	$1,696 75
School Incidentals,	92 89
Highway Wards,	711 85
Extra Highway and Bridges,	153 21
Extra labor on Grapevine street,	196 65
Clearing Snow,	106 43
Poor,	509 22
Town House and Hall,	98 20
Fire Department,	14 55

Park,	9 12
Incidentals,	267 06
Town Officers,	406 73
Abatements,	54 20
State Aid,	127 00
Interest on Town Debt,	225 00
Interest on Cemetery Funds,	12 11
State Tax,	465 00
County Tax,	613 05
	$5,759 02

In accordance with a vote of the town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses :—

Schools,	$1,400 00
School Incidentals,	100 00
Poor,	600 00
Incidentals,	1000 00
Interest,	225 00
Highways,	900 00
	$4,225 00

Treasurer's Account.

HENRY PATCH, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

Balance in Treasury, March 25, 1883,	$2,955 13
Cash received, Henry Hobbs, Collector,	5,460 09
" " Wellington Pool, for rent Town Hall,	76 50
" " " " Cemetery lots,	41 00
" " State Aid,	48 00
" " Corporation Tax,	58 32
" " National Bank Tax,	267 54
" State School Fund,	215 47
" Dog Tax,	79 76
" J. H. Perkins, hay scales,	21 58
" P. H. Kavanagh, Collector,	64 00
	$9,287 39

PAYMENTS.

Interest on Town Debt,	$ 225 00
" " Cemetery Fund,	12 11
State Aid,	127 00
State Tax,	465 00
County Tax,	613 05
Selectmen's Orders,	4,443 86
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 15th, 1884,	3,401 37
	$9,287 39

COLLECTORS FOR 1882, 1883, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

PATRICK KAVANAGH, COLLECTOR, 1882.

	Dr.
Balance due on Tax List,	$ 64 00
	Cr.
By payment to Henry Patch, Treasurer,	$ 64 00

HENRY HOBBS, COLLECTOR, 1883.

	Dr.
To Tax List committed to him to collect,	$5,586 25
Additions to tax list,	10 00
	$5,596 25
	Cr.
By payments to Henry Patch, Treasurer,	$5,460 09
Uncollected taxes,	136 16
	$5,596 25

ASSESSORS' VALUATION OF PROPERTY.

Real Estate,	$420,075 00
Personal Estate,	89,150 00
	$509,225 00
Number of polls, 252.	
Tax on polls,	$ 504 00
Tax on real and personal estate, at $1 per $100,	5,092 25
	$ 5,596 25

Financial Statement of the Town.

LIABILITIES.

Note due State of Massachusetts,	$4,000 00
" J. Low,	700 00
" Trustees Cemetery Fund,	475 00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Perkins, with interest to Feb. 1, 1884,	1,978 22
Interest due upon Cemetery Fund,	52 24
Estimated amount of outstanding bills,	500 00
	$7,705 46

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	$3,401 37
Due from Henry Hobbs,	136 16
Due from the State, State Aid,	81 50
	$3 619 03

Balance against the Town,	1878,	$7,155 13
" " "	1879,	5,796 59
" " "	1880,	5.495 80
" " "	1881,	5,155 60
" " "	1882,	4,882 26
" " "	1883,	4,527 84
" " "	Feb. 11, 1884,	4,086 43
Decrease of Town Debt since 1878,		$3,068 70

SPECIAL IMPROVEMENTS.

Cost of Monument,	1878,	$1,476 91
" " and Park,	1879,	650 46
" Bomer's Hill,	1881,	292 56
" Grapevine Road,	1882,	187 02
" Hay Scales,	1882,	332 28
" Grapevine Road,	1883,	196 65
" Safe,	1883,	85 00
		$3,220 88

SOLOMON E. KIMBALL,
JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

Town Clerk's Report, 1883.

MARRIAGES.

Nine marriage certificates were issued during the year. The number of marriages recorded was twenty-one, seventeen of which were solemnized in Wenham. Twelve of the couples were non-residents. Of the remaining nine couples, seven of the grooms and five of the brides, (including both parties of three couples), were residents at the time of their marriage.

Of the entire number, twenty of the grooms and sixteen of the brides were of American birth; and one of the grooms and five of the brides were of foreign birth. Five of the grooms and three of the brides were born in Wenham.

With eighteen of the grooms it was their first marriage; with two it was their second; and with one it was the third.

With twenty of the brides it was their first, and with one the second, marriage.

BIRTHS.

The number of births was ten—five males and five females. All but one were of American parentage.

DEATHS.

The number of deaths was ten—six males and four females. All were of American birth: three were born in Wenham.

AGES.

One, ———; one, about four months; one 22 years, 32, 52, 67, 73, 74, 76, and 89.

In addition to the foregoing, two were brought here for interment.

DOGS.

Forty-five dogs—forty-three males and two females—were licensed and registered; and from the amount received for licenses since the last settlement, the sum of eighty-eight dollars and eighty cents ($88.80), was paid into the County Treasury.

The sum returned to the Town Treasury was seventy-nine dollars and seventy-six cents, ($79.76.)

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

ESSEX, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wenham, on MONDAY, the third day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

2. To act on the Annual Report of the Selectmen.

3. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, to make appropriation of the same, and determine the manner of collecting.

5. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money, in anticipation of the taxes, as may be necessary to meet current expenses.

6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to replace or renew the notes soon to become due.

7. To see if the Town will vote to move the rostrum to the easterly part of the hall.

8. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town? The ballots shall be "Yes" or "No."

9. To see if the Town will accept the list of jurors as proposed by the Selectmen.

10. To see if the Town will purchase of George W. Peabody the corner of land now fenced into the highway, near the guide-post opposite his house.

11. To see if the Town will cut down the highway at Kimball's hill, and fill up the valley adjoining, so that the highway at that place may be of one continuous grade, as per petition of Charles A. Hayward and others.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for the expenses of Memorial Day, under the direction of the sailors and soldiers of Wenham.

13. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 255 of the Acts passed by the General Court of Massachusetts in the year 1878, in relation to the election of Selectmen and Assessors of Towns.

14. To see what action the Town will take in regard to laying out a road from a point near the house owned by Isaac Porter and occupied by Sargent Knowlton and William A. Austin, easterly to some point on the main road or town line, and appropriate such an amount of money as may be required therefor, as per petition of Lyman Littlefield and others.

15. To see if the Town will order the straightening of the County road in the west part of Wenham, at "Hobb's Hill." so called, near Mr. Joseph Kent's, and appropriate money for the same, or act thereon, as per petition of George W. Peabody and others.

16. To see if the Town will raise a sum of money to purchase hay scales for Wenham Neck.

17. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the meeting-houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this fifteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

SOLOMON E. KIMBALL,
JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Receipts and Expenditures

OF THE

Town of Wenham,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 17, 1885,

WITH THE

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

SALEM, MASS.:
PRINTED AT THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY OFFICE,
1885.

REPORT.

School Department.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid C. A. Keife, teaching Winter term, 1883,	$ 18.00
Lizzie M. Patch, " " " 1884,	60.00
Jennie S. Bertwell, teaching Spring term, 1884,	68.90
" " " Fall " "	78.00
John K. Dodge, wood, 1884,	18.00
Henry A. Burchstead, building fires and care of room,	5.00
	$247.90

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid Mary D. French, teaching Winter term, 1883–84,	$120.00
Martha E. Dimon, " Spring "	108.00
Addie Dodge, " Fall "	108.00
Charles Wilkins, wood,	22.50
D. F. Meady, building fires and care of room,	5.00
	$363.50

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid Carrie O Spofford, teaching Winter term, 1883–84,	$ 96.00
Carrie O. Spofford, teaching Spring term,	96.00
" " " Fall "	96.00
John Girdler, coal,	20.00
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,	19 00
L. M. Shattuck, cleaning school-room,	3.00
	$330.00

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Paid M. A. Smith, teaching Winter term, 1883–84,	$120.00
Ella F. Chadbourne, teaching Spring term,	120.00
" " " Fall "	120.00
John Girdler, coal,	40.00
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,	16.30
	$416.30

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid A. R. Killorin, teaching Winter term, 1883–84,	$120.00
A. E. White, " Spring "	85 50
" " " Fall "	108.00
Joseph G. Kent, wood,	18.00
Henry U. Burpee, building fires and care of room,	5.00
" " incidental services and repairs,	2.00
	$338.50

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid Daniel W. Preston, stock and labor on school-house,	$ 1.50
Boston School Supply Company, books,	16.98
John P. Conant, stock and labor, East School-house,	5.00
John P. Conant, stock and labor, Neck School-house,	27.62
Horace W. Dodge, labor, oil, and paint, East School-house,	17.24
Horace W. Dodge, labor, oil, and paint, Neck School-house,	33.38
Horace W. Dodge, labor, oil, and paint, West School-house,	21.32
Merrill & Mackintire, school supplies,	5.60
Charles F. Elliott, labor on school-houses,	37.29
Turner & Harrington, lumber for school-houses,	24.00
George H. Woodbury, labor and stock on school-houses,	43.00

Paid Almy, Bigelow & Webber, goods for Grammar School-room,	5.62
Daniel C. Smith, lumber for school-houses,	39.31
A. D & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	5.71
Eastern Railroad, freight,	.50
C. P. Perkins, stove funnel and labor,	5.85
George C. Putnam, fixtures,	6.14
A. C. Stockin, school books,	25.63
Charles H. Whiting, school books,	17.84
William Ware & Co., school books,	81.74
Knight, Adams & Co., school books,	28.13
Estate of Charles W. Batchelder, school books,	4.82
Estate of John T. Ropes, repairing stove,	1.87
F. M. Dodge, cash for school supplies,	19.75
Cutter & Parker, doors and expressage.	11.96
	$487.80

Highway Department.

WARD ONE.

Philip Morrill, Surveyor.

Paid E. E. Wyatt,	$ 3.20
P. Morrill,	9.63
D. W. Preston,	6.03
A. Williams,	3.40
Mrs. M. Williams,	3.40
William H. Beck,	1.70
Mrs. F. Burchstead,	3.40
John K. Dodge,	9.55
John W. Higgins,	1.70
E. Stillman,	.85
B. F. Burchstead,	1.70
John Gentlee, gravel,	5.35
	$49.91

WARD TWO.

JOHN GENTLEE, SURVEYOR.

Paid R. F. Dodge,	$ 23.84
Thomas Thompson,	20.02
Cyrus Tuttle,	3.40
John Gentlee,	16.60
Jacob Brown,	7.55
Gideon Latimer,	3.40
Thomas J. Peach,	1.70
George W. Johnson,	5.10
	$81.61

WARD THREE.

CHARLES WILKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid Charles O. Killam,	$ 3.40
S. Norcross,	2.55
Charles Hawkins,	1.70
A. G. Pingree,	3.40
Elbridge Perkins,	10.20
Nicholas Dodge,	4.25
F. R. Edwards,	10.60
S. R. Prince,	18 72
Charles Wilkins,	24.98
F. M. Dodge,	10.02
Zachariah Cole,	12.75
	$102.57

WARD FOUR.

WILLIAM P. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid G. F. & F. S. Dodge,	$ 13.25
Simeon Dodge, Jr.,	12.65
F. R. Edwards,	14.00
William P. Dodge,	16.65
T. P. Dodge,	3.65
E. L. Standley,	3.40
D. Harrigan,	3.40
	$67.00

WARD FIVE

P. H. Kavanagh, Surveyor.

Paid	Henry Tarr,	$ 10 57
	Mrs. Waters,	28.08
	Mr. Williams,	9.82
	J. L. Batchelder,	16.22
	F. Batchelder,	15.33
	Elbridge Porter,	12.42
	J. Kavanagh,	21 16
	William Kavanagh,	6.42
	Richard H. Cloutman,	6.28
	Abbott Johnson,	5.25
	Livermore D. Riggs,	6 42
	Frank Needam,	5.25
	A. W. Dodge,	3.99
	William S. Cummings,	14.42
	A. Hodgen,	2.02
	F. A. Standley,	11.00
	P. H. Kavanagh,	32.44
	Daniel E. Homan,	85
	Michael Sullivan,	1.05
	Alexander Webber,	1.00
	Daniel Perkins,	.40
		$210.39

WARD SIX.

Daniel A. Homan, Surveyor.

Paid	William M. Staten,	$ 5.95
	Warren Jones,	6.80
	George Jones,	5.10
	Thomas Barnes,	5.10
	Paul M. Barnes,	5.10
	Horace Caves,	1.70
	Daniel A. Homan,	7.99
	Everett K. Day,	8.84
	James L. Dodge,	4.51
	Frank Standley,	5.25
		$56.34

WARD SEVEN.

STEPHEN COOK, SURVEYOR.

Paid Stephen Cook,	$ 29.26
George W. Peabody,	7.10
Harvey Pierce,	15.40
Samuel S. Cook,	6.55
Joseph G. Kent,	6.80
Mary M. Clark,	11.90
Elbridge A. Dodge,	5.40
William W. Goodwin,	6.60
George Flint,	4.30
N. P. Perkins,	7.20
Harriet White,	1.60
Ira D. Batchelder,	5.10
William B. Morgan,	6.80
Elbridge K. Standley,	6.80
George W. Peabody, Jr.,	2.55
	$123.36

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid Edward L. Kimball,	$ 15.30
C. H. Hayward,	3.40
Thomas Clark,	1.70
J. Wesel,	16.75
James T. Brown,	17.95
	$55.10

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid Joseph M. Parsons, drain pipe,	$111.23
John Gentlee, teaming drain pipe and labor,	6.89
A. Hodgen, labor in Wards 8 and 5,	6.20
George W. Johnson, labor in Ward 2,	2.50
Charles Wilkins, labor in Ward 3,	8.72
F. M. Dodge, " "	3.77
Zachariah Cole, " "	.68

Paid Alex. Webber,	" Ward 8,	1.70
P. H. Kavanagh,	" " 5,	58.84
Frank J. Batchelder,	" "	6.60
J. L. Williams,	" "	3.13
Daniel Perkins, gravel,	"	4.30
A. W. Dodge, labor,	"	1.70
J. B. Woodman, labor,	"	1.70
R. H. Cloutman, "	"	1.27
F. E. Perkins, gravel,	"	1.70
Lydia P. White, "	Ward 7,	1.60
Thomas Thompson, labor in	Ward 2,	.86
Stephen Cook,	" " 7,	9.83
John Kavanagh,	" " 8,	3.40
		$236.62

Snow.

WARD TWO.

JOHN GENTLEE, SURVEYOR.

Paid Charles T. Brown,	$ 2.60
Thomas Thompson,	5.40
George W. Johnson,	2.60
Thomas J. Peach,	3.20
John Gentlee,	1.90
Gideon Latimer,	1.20
	$16.90

WARD THREE.

CHARLES WILKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid F. R. Edwards,	$ 3.20
Charles Wilkins,	10.70
F. M. Dodge,	4.50
Zachariah Cole,	1.40

Paid S. R. Prince,	5 50
Nicholas Dodge,	.80
Elbridge Perkins,	6.00
John P. Conant,	1.10
A. G. Pingree,	.40
Samuel Norcross,	60
William Tucker,	.60
Charles Hawkins,	.40
	$35.20

WARD FOUR.

William P. Dodge, Surveyor.

Paid Simeon Dodge, Jr.,	$ .80
George F. Dodge,	.90
William P. Dodge,	1.10
	$2.80

WARD FIVE.

P. H. Kavanagh, Surveyor.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh,	$ 25.50
M. Sullivan,	6.50
J. L. Williams,	2 30
J. B. Woodman,	2.20
A. W. Dodge,	.80
Frank Tarr,	1.20
William S. Cummings,	3.90
B. S. Knowlton,	1.00
A. Johnson,	.20
M. Shattuck,	.50
H. Trowt,	.50
Otis Clark,	.80
J. F. Batchelder,	3.40
Mr. Tinkam,	1.70
F. Needam, .60; William Kimball, .20	.80
	$51 30

WARD SIX.

Daniel A. Homan, Surveyor.

Paid Daniel A Homan,	$	6.15
Alexander Webber,		1.50
Joseph Day,		.40
Everett K. Day,		1.30
Jacob Barnes,		2.15
Horace Caves,		70
George Jones,		.80
		$13.00

WARD SEVEN.

Stephen Cook, Surveyor.

Paid Stephen Cook,	$	5.15
Elbridge A. Dodge,		2.40
Ira D. Batchelder,		1.70
Luther W. Batchelder,		1.00
William Weatherby,		1.00
William W. Goodwin,		1.60
Henry Burpee,		1 00
David Brown,		1.00
S. E. Kimball,		1.70
Elbridge A. Standley,		.60
George H. Flint,		1.40
George W. Peabody, Jr.,		3.20
S. S. Cook,		2.01
Joseph G. Kent,		1.30
Harvey S Cook,		.90
		$25 96

WARD EIGHT.

James T. Brown, Surveyor.

Paid James T. Brown,	$	2.40

Poor Department.

MARY TUTTLE.

Paid A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies furnished,	$ 89.85
S. E. Thayer, medical attendance, 1883–84–85,	53.50
Julia P. Messer, shoes,	2.00
	$145.35

CHARLES M. GOODWIN.

Paid A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies furnished,	$ 10.00
S. E. Thayer, medical attendance,	10.00
	$20.00

Paid J. H. Perkins, Jr., medicine for the poor, $ 9.40

JOHN A. HOYT.

Paid Town of Georgetown, supplies furnished, $ 30.38

ALVIRA M. DODGE.

Paid Town of Hatfield, supplies furnished, $ 69.23

SARAH WYATT.

Paid City of Boston, supplies furnished, $ 91.50

RICHARD BURNHAM.

Paid Sanger & Hood, coal,	$ 3.50
Joseph G. Kent, wood,	6.00
Daniel Richards & Son, supplies furnished,	90.09
C. H. Warren & Co., coal,	6.25
	$105.84

MARY DODGE.

Paid Henry Patch, cash, $ 54.00

SARAH L. BUNKER.

Paid City of Lynn, supplies furnished,	$ 10.50
Town of Marblehead, supplies furnished,	30.43
	$40.93

GEORGE W. BABCOCK.

Paid City of Malden, supplies furnished,	$116 85

KIMBALL H. DREW.

Paid John Meldram, for board,	$ 51.00
Julia P. Messer, for goods,	2.10
	$53 10

LOCK-UP AND TRAMPS.

Paid Lydia A. Barnes, washing blankets	$ 3.00
George H. Woodbury, labor and stock,	2.00
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies furnished,	17.26
William Hall, supplies furnished,	2.00
Daniel A. Homan, work on blankets and tick,	2.00
" " care of 270 tramps,	19.75
	$46 01

Town House and Hall.

Paid Henry Patch, wood furnished,	$ 3.00
S. A. & G. W. Jewett, table for town room,	32.00
Henry Patch, chairs for town room,	18.75
William S. Cummings, wood furnished,	2.75
John Gentlee, journeys to Manchester for table,	2.00
John Girdler, coal furnished,	21.50
H. W. Dodge, labor and stock,	4.21
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies furnished,	5.88
William E. Porter, stock and labor on rostrum,	30.40
E. A Simonds, stove burner,	1.90
Wellington Pool, care of town room and hall,	36.20
	$158.59

Park and Common.

Paid Wellington Pool, labor, ... $ 7.02

Fire Department.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh, labor and stock on engine, ...	$	4.73
Henry Tarr, labor on engine and cash paid, ...		5.80
H. H. Demsey, repairs on engine, ...		1.00
		$11.53

Incidentals.

Paid Home Insurance Co., for Town House, 1883, ..	$	56.25
Liverpool, London & Globe Ins Co., " ..		56.25
B. H. Conant, care of town clock, ...		20.00
Merrill & Mackintire, Tax Collector's book, ...		1.59
Warren Jones, labor and stock on cemetery, ..		1.40
Craig & Tucker, labor on safe and expenses, ...		2.25
T. J. Hutchinson & Son, pauper book and blanks,		11.20
Charles Haddock, returning three births, ...		.75
P. H. Kavanagh, labor on cemetery, ...		2.35
H. H. Demsey, repairs on town clock, ...		1.50
" " repairs on town pump from 1882 to 1885, ...		7.20
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, postage stamps, ...		.71
Henry Hobbs, painting signs for Idlewood Lake,		2.00
Wellington Pool, labor on cemetery, ...		.75
" " administering oaths, ...		2.80
" " preparing cemetery deeds, ...		3.00
" " cash for hearse straps.		1.70
" " blank for dog licenses, ...		1.00
" " for expressage, ...		2.60
		$175 30

Town Officers.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid R. F. Dodge, services for year ending March, '84,		$ 20.00
N. P. Perkins, " " " " "		50.75
" " preparing school report and return,		5.00
" " journeys out of town,		2 20
" " cash paid for books, postage, and cleaning house,		2.75
J. H. Moulton, services,		4.00
		$84.70

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Pool, services,		$ 20.00
" " journey to Danvers,		2.00
" " journey to Salem for ballot-box,		1.65
" " stationery and postage,		2.27
" " recording births and marriages,		6.85
" " recording 26 deaths,		4.60
" " returning as undertaker for record,		6.50
		$43.87

COLLECTOR.

Paid Henry Hobbs, balance for collecting for 1883,		$ 4.50
" " postage, stationery, and expenses,		10.00
		$14.50

CONSTABLES AND POLICE.

Paid Henry Alley, services and warrants,		$ 4.25
" " services, dog warrants,		2 50
Elbridge Porter, serving town warrant,		1.00
Michael Buckley, serving at the pond, 1884,		3.00
		$10.75

SELECTMEN.

Paid S. E. Kimball, journey to Salem,	$ 1.00
" " two and one-half days' services,	4.25
John Gentlee, 21 days' services,	34.00
" " three journeys out of town,	7 00
John I. Durgin, 20 days' services,	34.00
James T. Brown, 19 1-2 days' services,	33.15
	$133.40

ASSESSORS.

Paid John Gentlee, 9 days' services,	$ 18.00
John I. Durgin, 9 days' services,	18.00
James T. Brown, 7 days' services,	14.00
	$50.00

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid John Gentlee, services for the year,	$ 10.00
" " seven journeys out of town,	11.98
John I. Durgin, services for the year,	6.00
James T. Brown, services for the year,	6.00
" " journeys out of town,	1 70
	$35.68

REGISTRARS.

Paid John Gentlee, 5 days' services,	$ 10 00
John I. Durgin, 5 days' services,	10.00
James T. Brown, 2 days' services,	4.00
Wellington Pool, 4 days' services,	8.00
	$32.00

TREASURER.

Paid Henry Patch, salary,	$ 25.00
" " services and expenses,	19.50
" " postage,	.48
	$44.98

State Aid.

Paid Mary P. Merrill,	under	Acts of	1879,	Chap	301,	$ 48 00
Cyrus Tuttle,	"	"	"	"	"	48 00
Thomas H. Clark,	"	"	"	"	252,	110 00
Kimball H. Drew,	"	"	"	"	"	114.00
Edwin Plaisted,	"	"	"	"	"	30 00
Jos. B. Woodman,	"	"	"	"	"	26.00
						$376.00

Abatements for 1883.

Richard H. Cloutman, one poll,	$ 2.00
Charles Abbott, one poll,	2.00
Edward Barker, one poll,	2.00
William N. Burgess, one poll,	2.00
Eben P. Caswell, one poll,	2.00
Samuel Clark, one poll,	2.00
Ephraim Hathaway, one poll,	2.00
Alfred J. Merrill, one poll, deceased,	2.00
Alden P. Meldram, one poll,	2.00
George F. Merrill, one poll, not liable,	2.00
John Meldram, one poll, not able,	2.00
Horatio N. Norcross, Jr., one poll, not liable,	2.00
Edwin Stillman, one poll, deceased,	2.00
Frank Tarrieo, one poll,	2.00
Alonzo Young, one poll,	2 00
John Wyatt, one poll,	2.00
Moses Dearborn, one poll,	2.00
	$34 00

Summary of Town Expenses.

Schools,	$1,696 20
School Incidentals,	487.80
Highway Wards,	746.28
Extra Highway,	236.62
Clearing Snow,	147.50
Poor,	782.59
Town House and Hall,	158.59
Fire Department,	11.53
Park and Common,	7.02
Incidentals,	175.30
Town Officers,	449.13
Constables and Police,	10 75
State Aid,	376.00
Interest on Town Debt,	181 25
Interest on Cemetery Fund,	108.42
State Tax,	620.00
County Tax,	613 05
Abatements,	34 00
	$6.842.03

In accordance with a vote of the Town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses :—

Schools,	$1,400.00
School Incidentals,	100.00
Poor,	800 00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Highway,	900.00
Interest,	150.00
	$4,350.00

Treasurer's Account.

HENRY PATCH, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

Balance in Treasury, Feb. 15, 1884,		$3,401.37
Cash received, Henry Hobbs, Collector, 1883,		136.16
" " " " 1884,		5,280.85
" Wellington Pool, for rent Town Hall,		77.50
" " " for cemetery lots,		68.00
" State Aid,		102.00
" Corporation Tax,		64.30
" National Bank Tax,		301.37
" State School Fund,		208.58
" Dog Tax,		90.89
" J. H. Perkins, Jr., hay scales,		21.50
" City of Boston, for Chas. M. Goodwin		20.00
" R. F. Dodge, scholars out of town,		12.00
" Mr. Stone, scholars out of town,		6 00
		$9,790.52

PAYMENTS.

Paid Interest on Town Debt,	$ 181 25
" " Cemetery Fund,	108.42
State Tax,	620.00
County Tax,	613.05
State Note,	1,500.00
Selectmen's Orders,	5,319.31
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 17, 1885,	1,448 49
	$9,790.52

HENRY HOBBS, COLLECTOR FOR 1883–84, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM

	Dr.
Balance due on Tax List, 1883,	$ 136.16
To Tax List committed to him to collect,	5,568.25

Additions to Tax List,	6.00
	$5,710.41

Cr.

By payments to Henry Patch, Treasurer,	$5,417.01
Uncollected Taxes,	293 40
	$5,710.41

Assessors' Valuation of Property

Real Estate,	$420,075.00
Personal Estate,	85,950.00
	$506,025 00

Number of polls, 257.

Tax on Polls,	$ 514.00
Tax on Real and Personal Estate, at $1 per $100,	5,060.25
	$5,574.25

Financial Statement of the Town

LIABILITIES.

Note due State of Massachusetts,	$2,500.00
" J. Low,	700.00
" Trustees of Cemetery Fund,	475.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Perkins, with interest to February 1, 1885,	2,077.13
Estimated amount of outstanding bills,	500 00
	$6,252 13

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	$1,448.49
Due from Henry Hobbs,	293.40
Due from the State, for State Aid,	236.00
	$1,977.89
Balance against the Town, February 17, 1885,	$4.274.24

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

Town Clerk's Report, 1884.

MARRIAGES.

Four marriage certificates were issued, and nine marriages recorded. Five of the couples were non-residents. Of the others, two of the grooms and two of the brides were residents. All but one were of American birth. Only one of the grooms and one of the brides were born in Wenham. With seven of the grooms and all of the brides it was their first, and with two of the grooms their second, marriage.

BIRTHS.

There were eleven births, nine males and two females. Ten were of American and one of mixed parentage.

DEATHS.

The number of deaths in town was nineteen, seven males and twelve females All were of American birth. Five were born in Wenham. Four were non-residents, and with three of the residents were removed from the town for interment.

AGES.

One was one year; one 4. 21, 24; two were 33, 49, 53, 56, 57, 68, 69, 70, 79, 82, 84; and two were 85.

DOGS.

Fifty-four dogs—fifty males and four females—were licensed; and from the amount received for licenses since the last settlement, the sum of one hundred and eleven dollars ($111.00) was paid into the County Treasury.

The sum returned to the Town Treasury was ninety dollars and eighty-nine cents ($90.89).

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

ESSEX, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wenham, on MONDAY, the Second Day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

2. To act on the Annual Report of the Selectmen.

3. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, to make appropriation of the same, and determine the manner of collecting.

5. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen to hire such sums of money, in anticipation of the taxes, as may be necessary to meet current expenses.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for the expenses of Memorial Day, under the direction of the Sailors and Soldiers of Wenham

7. To see if the Town will raise a sufficient sum of money to pay the State Aid for the ensuing year

8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Library belonging to the Wenham Library Association, upon the conditions proposed by said Association, and make a sufficient appropriation for the proper accommodation of said Library, and for increasing the same.

9. To see what action the Town will take in regard to

forming a graded school of the school now known as the Centre Grammar School, the same to be taught by a male teacher. The said school to be open to advanced scholars from the several districts.

10 To see if the Town will raise a sum of money to repair the sidewalk on the main street.

11. To see if the Town will raise a sum of money to paint the Town House.

12. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town? The ballots shall be "Yes" or "No."

13. To hear the report of the committee on Kimball's Hill, and raise money for the same.

14. To see if the Town will accept the list of jurors as proposed by the Selectmen.

15. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the meeting houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this sixteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

Receipts AND Expenditures

— OF THE —

TOWN of WENHAM,

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING FEB. 12, 1886.

— WITH THE —

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1886.

REPORT.

School Department.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid Jennie S. Bertwell, teaching winter term, 1884,		$ 84.50
" " " spring " 1885,		84 00
" " " fall " "		77 00
John K. Dodge, wood, 1885,		18 00
Henry A. Burchstead, building fires and care of room,		5.00
Total,		$268.50

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid Addie Dodge, teaching winter term, 1884,		$108.00
" " " spring " 1885,		108.00
" " " fall " "		108.00
Charles Wilkins, wood, 1885,		24.75
Mary L. Prince, building fires and care of room,		8.00
Total,		$356.75

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid Grace H. Rogers, teaching winter term, 1884,		$ 90.25
" " " spring " 1885,		90.00
" " " fall " "		90.00
John Girdler, coal,		21.00
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,		19.00
Total,		$31.250

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Paid E. F. Chadbourne, teaching winter term, 1884,		$123.08
Carrie L. Lakeman, " spring " 1885,		108.00

Paid Carrie L. Lakeman, teaching fall term, 1885,	108.00
John Girdler, coal,	40.00
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,	15.75
Total,	$394.83

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid A. E. Wright, teaching winter term, 1884,	$126.00
Mary E. Kimball, " spring " 1885,	108.00
Minnie A. Callahan, teaching fall term, 1885,	108.00
Joseph G. Kent, wood,	22.75
D. B. Towne, "	2.00
Chester C. Dodge, building fires and care of room,	8.00
Total,	$374.75

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid Wm. W. Hinkley, stove fixtures,	$ 12.85
Merrill & Mackintire, school supplies,	35.33
N. P. Perkins, cash paid Mrs. Soper, 1884 & '85,	2.50
" " school books and journey out town,	2 55
Elbridge Porter, cash paid for school supplies,	4.42
C. H. Whiting, school books,	67.56
Wm. Ware, school books,	29.02
Knight, Adams & Co., school books,	30.01
A. C. Stockin, school books,	44.92
L. M. Shattuck, cleaning schoolrooms,	8.00
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, school supplies,	1.85
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, school books,	6 92
A. S. Barnes & Co., school books,	1.00
Potter, Ainsworth & Co., "	1.95
Total,	$248.88

Highway Department.

WARD ONE.

ADDISON WILLIAMS, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Daniel W. Preston,	$ 9.52
	Philip Morrill,	4.18
	John Morgan,	1.53
	Benjamin F. Burchstead,	7.85
	Wm. H Beck,	4.08
	Mrs. Fanny Burchstead,	3.91
	Addison Williams,	6.63
	Mrs. M. T. Williams,	9.63
	John K. Dodge,	12.84
Total,		$60.17

WARD TWO.

THOMAS F. THOMPSON, SURVEYOR.

Paid	R. F. Dodge,	$ 20.28
	Jacob Brown,	6.12
	Charles T. Brown,	3.06
	Cyrus Tuttle,	1.53
	John Gentlee,	12.24
	Thomas Thompson,	22.74
	Thomas F. Thompson,	1.87
	Thomas J. Peach,	3.06
	Mrs. Jane Johnson,	6.12
	Gideon W. Lattimer,	3.06
	Gideon W. Lattimer, Jr.,	3.91
Total,		$ 83.99

WARD THREE.

NICHOLAS DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Francis R. Edwards,	$ 22.16
	Samuel R. Prince,	13.20
	Frank Cole,	3.40

Paid Zachariah Cole,	13.37
Francis M. Dodge,	9.24
Pingree estate,	3.40
Chas. Wilkins,	20.65
Wm. Tucker,	5.10
Chas. Hawkins,	2.55
John Gentlee,	.85
Nicholas Dodge,	10.20
Total,	$104.12

WARD FOUR.

Wm. P. Dodge, Surveyor.

Paid G. F. & F. S. Dodge,	$ 13.25
Simeon Dodge, Jr.,	13.58
S. P. Burnham,	1.13
Wm. P. Dodge,	14.75
D. Harrigan,	3.40
Isaac Porter,	3.40
F. R. Edwards,	8.78
Total,	$ 58.29

WARD FIVE.

P. H. Kavanagh, Surveyor.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh,	$ 35.91
M. Sullivan,	18.10
Wm. S. Cummings,	14.70
J. F. Batchelder,	15.10
J. L. Batchelder,	8.20
Mrs. E. F. Waters	9.80
E. Porter,	19.52
J. L. Williams,	8.50
A. Johnson,	1.70
A. W. Dodge,	3.06
A. H. Hodgdon,	1.70
E. Tinkham,	5.95

Paid	Charles Perkins,	3.40
	G. Perkins,	3.40
	Henry Tarr,	8.50
	Howard Trowt,	6.80
	D. Harrigan,	4.25
	M. Woodman,	4.25
	F. A. Stanley, gravel,	21.40
	Salem Carpenter,	5 10
	Asa W. Trowt	2.59
Total,		$201.93

WARD SIX.

GEORGE W. JONES, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Daniel A. Homan,	$ 5.10
	John Caves,	5.10
	James L. Dodge,	3.40
	Everett K. Day,	8.50
	Frank Stanley,	5 70
	Warren Jones,	11.90
	George W. Jones,	7.15
Total,		$ 46.85

WARD SEVEN.

STEPHEN COOK, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Stephen Cook,	$ 13.60
	Geo. W. Peabody, Jr.,	3.40
	S. S. Cook,	14.15
	Harvey S. Cook	5.95
	Wm. W. Goodwin,	6.60
	Ira D. Batchelder,	12.75
	E. K. Standley,	11.50
	Joseph Kent,	6.80
	Harvey Pierce,	10.80
	Elbridge Dodge,	5.10
	Mary M. Clark,	5.10

Paid	George W. Peabody,	2.55
	John W. L. Moulton,	6.60
	John A. Putnam, gravel,	4.90
Total,		$109.80

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Edward L. Kimball,	$ 8.50
	W. S. West,	8.30
	Joseph Wesel,	18.55
	James T. Brown,	13.20
Total,		$ 48.55

SIDEWALK.

Paid	P. H. Kavanagh, labor and gravel,	$ 50.00

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid	Charles Wilkins, labor and gravel in ward 3,	$ 8 77
	S. R. Prince, labor in ward 3,	4.08
	Zach. Cole, " "	5.10
	F. M. Dodge, " "	2.55
	F. R. Edwards, " "	6.67
	Nicholas Dodge, " "	6.80
	John Gentlee, laying drain pipe in ward 3,	4.08
	P. H. Kavanagh, labor in ward 5,	55.85
	J. L. Batchelder, " "	5.10
	M. Sullivan, " "	7.35
	M. Woodman, " "	2.55
	Sylvester Kent, " "	2.55
	Mrs. E. Waters, gravel in "	4.70
	George Roundy, " "	.90
	P. H. Kavanagh, hauling and laying drain pipe,	11.35
	Geo. H. Woodbury, repairing culvert,	1.00
	Stephen Cook, labor in ward 7,	10.44
	Harvey S. Cook, " "	2.38

Paid	W. F. Piper, labor in ward 7,	5.59
	Ira D. Batchelder, " "	2.48
	John A. Putnam, gravel in "	.95
	T. F. Thompson, labor in ward 2,	2 20
	Thomas Thompson, " "	8.60
	R. F. Dodge, " "	6.96
	John Gentlee, " "	6.00
	Cyrus Tuttle, " "	.85
	G. F. &. F. S. Dodge, " ward 4,	.85
	Simeon Dodge, Jr., " "	.43
	Wm. P. Dodge, " "	1.02
	James T. Brown, labor on Kimball's hill,	11 05
	Edward L. Kimball, " " "	12.75
	Charles A. Hayward, " " "	5.65
	Warren Jones, " " "	4 55
	Wm. S West, " " "	6.80
	Whitcomb & Carter, powder and fuse,	1.25
Total,		$220.20

Snow.

WARD ONE.

Philip Morrill, Surveyor.

Paid	Philip Morrill,	$ .60
	D. W. Preston,	.40
	John K. Dodge,	1.70
	Addison Williams,	.80
Total,		$ 3.50

WARD TWO.

T. F. Thompson, Surveyor.

Paid	Thomas J. Peach,	$ 2.45
	T. F. Thompson,	2.40
	John Gentlee,	3.00

Paid Thomas Thompson,	5.60
Geo. W. Johnson,	4.50
John H. Peavey,	1.75
Charles T. Brown,	1.40
Edward A. Cheever,	1.00
Total,	$22.10

WARD THREE.

NICHOLAS DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid S. R. Prince,	$ 4.40
F. M. Dodge	2.60
Charles Wilkins,	2.60
Zach. Cole,	2.00
Wm. Tucker,	.60
Samuel Norcross,	.60
E. W. Perkins,	5.40
John P. Conant,	1.20
F. R. Edwards,	1.60
Nicholas Dodge,	5.20
Total,	$ 26.20

WARD FOUR.

WM. P. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid G. F. & F. S. Dodge,	$ 5.60
Simeon Dodge, Jr.,	5.50
Albert W. Dodge,	1.20
Wm. P. Dodge,	9.20
Total,	$ 21.50

WARD FIVE.

P. H. KAVANAGH, SURVEYOR.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh,	$ 20.20
E. Tinkham,	2.50
M. Sullivan,	3.30

Paid J. Williams,	2.00
J. F. Batchelder,	1.80
Wm. S. Cummings,	3.30
J. B. Woodman,	2.10
Ivory Quimby,	2.20
A. W. Trowt,	.70
H. W. Trowt,	.70
G. Casson,	.70
B. F. Stone,	.90
H. Clark,	.70
J. L. Batchelder,	1.30
E. Porter,	1 10
A. Hodgdon,	.70
Total,	$ 44.20

WARD SIX.

GEORGE W. JONES, SURVEYOR.

Paid Augustus Hutchinson,	$ .50
Frank Standley,	.50
John Caves,	.50
Everett Day,	.50
Daniel A. Homan,	.70
Horace Caves,	.30
Warren Jones,	.70
Geo. W. Jones,	1.40
Total,	$ 5.10

WARD SEVEN.

STEPHEN COOK, SURVEYOR.

Paid Stephen Cook,	$ 8.80
Geo. W. Peabody,	2.55
Geo. W. Peabody, Jr.,	5.85
Harvey S. Cook,	3.40
Wm. F. Piper,	2.60
Ira D. Batchelder,	1.20

Paid	Herbert Moulton,	.75
	E. K. Standley,	.80
	Wm Goodwin,	1.00
	Samuel S. Cook,	.80
	Solomon E. Kimball,	.30
Total,		$ 28.05

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid	James T. Brown,	$ 1.80
	E. L. Kimball,	1.80
Total,		$ 3.60

Poor Department.

GEORGE W. BABCOCK.

Paid	town of Wakefield, supplies for 1884,	$126.14
	City of Malden, " for 1885,	299.33
Total,		$425.47

KIMBALL H. DREW.

Paid	John Mildram, for board,	$ 21.00
	James L. Dodge, "	9.00
	James H. Perkins, Jr., medicine,	2.65
Total,		$ 32.65

SARAH BUNKER.

Paid	Town of Marblehead, supplies furnished,	$ 13.50

ELEAZER H. FLINT.

Paid	George W. Peabody, for board,	$ 7.00

JOHN A. HOYT.

Paid John A. Hoyt, ... $ 30.00

LUCY A. STRAVIS.

Paid City of Lynn, supplies, ... $109.25

SARAH WYATT.

Paid City of Boston, for supplies, ... $ 83.36

RICHARD BURNHAM.

Paid	Geo. A. Waitt, for coffin and funeral expenses,	$ 20.00
	C. H. Warren & Co., for coal,	18.50
	Daniel Richards & Co., for supplies,	72.59
	Joseph G. Kent, for wood,	6.00
	W. W. Eaton, medical attendance,	3.00
Total,		$120.09

MARY DODGE.

Paid Mrs. H. M. White, for board, ... $ 79.50

LOCK-UP AND TRAMPS.

Paid	Daniel Richards & Son, 25 yards of ticking,	$ 3.12
	Wm. Hall, bread,	1.30
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	19.23
	Daniel A. Homan, cleaning and white-washing lock-up,	4.75
	Daniel A. Homan, washing bed ticks and filling with straw,	5.00
	Daniel A. Homan, care of 336 tramps,	29.00
Total,		$ 62.40

Town House and Hall.

Paid C. F. Dudley, labor and stock,	$	.75
M. Sullivan, wood,		6.00
John Girdler, coal,		23.75
H. W. Dodge, labor, paint and glass,		11.48
Wm. E. Porter, stock and labor,		19.54
Henry Patch, wood,		6.00
J. H. Perkins, wood,		3.25
John T. Ropes, repairs on furnace,		27.23
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, oil, chimneys, wicks, etc.,		3.37
Wellington Pool, care of town room and hall,		33.40
Total,	$	134.77

Park and Common.

Paid Wellington Pool, labor,	$	6.90

Fire Department.

Paid J. H. Perkins, Jr., alcohol,	$	3.25
P. H. Kavanagh, labor on engine,		3.67
Henry Tarr, labor on engine,		1.50
Total,	$	8.42

Incidentals.

Paid B. H. Conant, care of town clock,	$	20.00
Foote & Horton, printing reports and notices for 1884,		51.65
Foote & Horton, printing reports and notices for 1885,		64.14

Paid Merrill & Mackintire, tax book and stationery,	2.20
Dr. S. E. Thayer, returning births,	1.00
" " journeys to Salem.	5.00
" " medical attendance and journey to Salem, on account of Winslow Day,	10.00
Jos. M. Parsons, drain pipe,	50 33
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, postage, stationery and expressage,	1.61
Wellington Pool, administering oaths,	3.30
" " preparing cemetery deeds,	7.50
" " cash paid for expressage and fixtures,	5.70
" " interment of Richard Burnham,	2.50
Jason Clark, repairs on hearse and settees,	2.75
John Gentlee, teaming drain pipe,	7.00
C. H. Dudley, hinges for cemetery gates,	1.25
N. P. Perkins, circulating petition,	1.70
" " two journeys to Boston, on account of division of town,	6.00
H. H. Dempsey, repairs on pump and hay scales,	1.85
Total,	$245.48

Library.

Paid Abbott Johnson, ... $100.00

Town Officers.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Elbridge Porter, nine days' services,	$ 18.00
N. P. Perkins, services for one year,	17.00
F. M. Dodge, twenty-four days' services,	48.00
" " procuring school books and supplies,	12.40
Total,	$ 95.40

TRUANT OFFICER.

Paid Geo. W. Peabody, services for one year,	$	2.00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Pool, services for one year,	$	20.00
" " journey to Danvers to return votes for representative,		2.00
Wellington Pool, journey to Salem,		1.00
" " stationery and postage,		2.23
" " to making an index to Vol. III, births, marriages and deaths,		6.00
Wellington Pool, to recording births, marriages and deaths,		11.35
" " returning deaths as undertaker, for record, 27 deaths,		6.75
Total,	$	49.33

CONSTABLE.

Paid H. H. Dempsey, services for one year,	$	6.00

REGISTRARS.

Paid John Gentlee, two days' services,	$	4.00
John I. Durgin, " "		4.00
James T. Brown, " "		4.00
Wellington Pool, " "		4.00
Total,	$	16.00

SELECTMEN.

Paid John Gentlee, 21 1-2 days' services,	$	36.55
" " 4 journeys to Boston, on account of division of town and expenses,		12.00
John Gentlee, one journey to Boston, on account Naumkeag Street R. R.,		3.00
John Gentlee, six journeys out of town and expenses,		10.20

Paid John Gentlee, conducting correspondence and preparing returns,	$ 15.00
John I. Durgin, twenty days' services,	34.00
" " one journey to Boston,	3.00
James T. Brown, fifteen days' services,	25.50
Total,	$139.25

ASSESSORS.

Paid John Gentlee, ten days' services,	$ 20.00
John I. Durgin, nine days' "	18.00
James T. Brown, three days' services,	6.00
Total,	$ 44.00

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid John Gentlee, services for one year,	$ 10.00
" " ten journeys out of town,	15.00
John I. Durgin, services for one year,	6.00
" " journeys out of town,	1.70
James T. Brown, services for one year,	6.00
Total,	$ 38.70

COLLECTOR.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh, part payment for collection,	$ 20.00
" " stationery and postage,	7.50
Total,	$ 27.50

TREASURER.

Paid Henry Patch, salary,	$ 25.00
" " two journeys to Boston, to pay interest, and expenses,	6.00
Henry Patch, one journey to Boston, to collect receipts,	3.00
Henry Patch, twelve one-half days at Town House to pay State aid,	9.00

Paid Henry Patch, three journeys to Beverly, to hire money,	3.00
" " postage and stationery,	1.28
Total,	$ 47.28

State Aid.

Paid Mary P. Merrill, under Acts of 1879, Chap. 301,	$ 48.00
Edward A Monies, " " " " "	24.00
Sarah E. Monies, " " " " "	24.00
Thomas H. Clark, " " " " 252,	100.00
Kimball H Drew, " " " " "	122 00
Total,	$318.00

Abatements.

Arthur C. Stanton, not liable,	$ 2 00
Mrs. Emma C. Staten, personal,	.50
Charles H. Shattuck, one poll,	2.00
Eldred M. Webber, "	2.00
Frank Tarrio, "	2.00
Herbert W. Taylor, "	2 00
Edward B. Pulsifer, "	2.00
Samuel Norcross, "	2.00
Benjamin F. Needham, "	2.00
Alden P. Mildram, "	2.00
Wm. Morse, "	2.00
Barnell S. Knowlton, personal,	.25
Alonzo H. Gray, deceased,	2.00
Thomas H. Gray, one poll,	2 00
Moses Dearborn, "	2.00
John S. Dwinell, deceased,	2.00
John P. Dodge, one poll,	2.00
Samuel Clark, one-half poll,	1.00

Eben P. Caswell, one poll,	2.00
Wm. A. Burgess, "	2.00
Paul M. Barnes, "	2.00
Charles E. Abbott, "	2.00
Total,	$ 39.75

Summary of Town Expenses.

Schools,	$1,705.08
School Incidentals,	248.88
Highway Wards,	713.70
Extra Highway,	220.20
Clearing Snow,	154.25
Poor,	900.82
Lock-up and Tramps,	62.40
Town House and Hall,	134.77
Park and Common,	6.90
Sidewalk,	50.00
Fire Department,	8.42
Incidentals,	245.48
Town Officers,	465.46
State Aid,	318.00
Library,	100 00
Abatements,	39.75
Interest on Town Debt,	105.47
" Cemetery Fund,	17.21
State Tax,	465.00
County Tax,	613.05
Total,	$6,574.84

HENRY HOBBS, COLLECTOR FOR 1884, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

Dr.

Balance due on tax list for 1884,	$ 293.40

	Cr.
By payments to Henry Patch, Treasurer,	$ 245.75
Uncollected taxes,	47.65
Total,	$ 293.40

P. H. KAVANAGH, COLLECTOR FOR 1885 IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
To tax list committed to him to collect,	$5,618.75
Additions to tax list,	10.25
Total,	$5,629.00

	Cr.
By payments to Henry Patch, Treasurer,	$5,500.00
Uncollected taxes,	129.00
Total,	$5,629 00

Treasurer's Account.

HENRY PATCH, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

Balance in the Treasury, Feb. 17th, 1885,	$1,448 49
Cash received from Henry Hobbs, Collector, 1884,	245 75
" " P. H. Kavanagh, " 1885,	5,500 00
" " Wellington Pool, for rent of Town Hall,	56.50
" " Wellington Pool, for cemetery lots,	113.00
" " State, for State aid,	233.05
" " " Corporation tax,	56 86
" " " National bank tax,	292.19
" " " State school fund,	207.63
" " County Treasurer for dog tax,	101.51

Cash received from James H. Perkins, Jr., hay scales,	26.82
" " Wellington Pool, one town history,	1.00
Total,	$8,282.80

PAYMENTS.

Paid interest on town debt,	$ 105.47
" cemetery fund,	17.21
State tax,	465.00
County tax,	613.05
Selectmen's orders,	5,374.11
Total,	$6,574.84
Balance in the Treasury Feb. 12, 1886,	1,707.96
Total,	$8,282.80

Assessors' Valuation of Property.

Real estate,	$422,750 00
Personal estate,	87,550.00
Total,	$510,300.00
Number of polls, 263.	
Tax on polls,	$ 526.00
Tax on real and personal estate, at $1 per $100,	5,103 00
Total,	$5,629 00

Financial Statement of the Town.

LIABILITIES.

Note due State of Massachusetts,	$2,500.00
" Estate of J. Low,	700.00
" Trustees of cemetery fund,	475.00

Legacy of Mrs. Mary Perkins, with interest to Feb. 1st, 1886,	2,180.98
Estimated amount of outstanding bills,	500.00
Total,	$6,355.98

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	$1,707.96
Due from Henry Hobbs,	47.65
" P. H. Kavanagh,	129.00
" the State, for State aid,	207 00
" " for board of E. Flint,	7.00
Total,	$2,098.61
Balance against the town, Feb. 12, 1886,	$4,257.37

In accordance with a vote of the town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses :—

Schools,	$1,400.00
School incidentals,	200.00
Poor,	800.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Highway,	900.00
Interest,	150 00
Total,	$4,450.00

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast, and the bills on file with the orders corresponding thereto.

FRANCIS M. DODGE,
WILLIAM F. TROWT,
} Auditors.

Wenham, Feb. 13, 1886.

Town Clerk's Report, 1885.

MARRIAGES.

Twelve marriage certificates were issued, and eleven marriages recorded. Both parties, of five couples, were residents of Wenham at the time of marriage. Of the others, two of the grooms and four of the brides were residents. All but two were of American birth; ten were born in Wenham. With ten of the grooms and nine of the brides it was their first, and with one of the grooms and two of the brides, it was their second marriage.

BIRTHS.

There were ten births, four males and six females; seven were of American, two of mixed, and one of foreign parentage.

DEATHS.

The number of deaths, (including one resident who died out of town,) was twenty-one; thirteen males and eight females. Twenty were of American, and one of foreign birth. Five were born in Wenham. Three were non-residents, and with eight of the residents were removed to other places for interment.

AGES.

One, stillborn; one died the day of birth; one was 4 months; one 9 years, 18, 22, 26, 46, 54, 58; three were 63, 69, 70, 74, 76, 78, 83, 84 and 88.

In addition to the foregoing, six non-residents were brought to Wenham for interment.

DOGS.

Fifty-eight dogs—fifty-two males and six females—were licensed; and from the amount received since the last settlement, one hundred and twenty-two dollars and twenty cents ($122.20) was paid into the County Treasury.

The sum returned to the Town Treasury was one hundred and one dollars and fifty-one cents ($101.51.)

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

ESSEX, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wenham, on MONDAY, the first day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
2. To act on the Annual Report of the Selectmen.
3. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, to make appropriation of the same, and determine the manner of collecting.
5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Seclectmen, to hire such sums of money in anticipation of the taxes, as may be necessary to meet current expenses.
6. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? The ballots shall be "Yes" or "No."
7. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as proposed by the Selectmen.
8. To see if the town will purchase of George W. Peabody, the corner of land now fenced into the highway, near the guide-post opposite his house, and raise money for the same.
9. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the expense of Memorial day, under the direction of the sailors and soldiers of Wenham.
10. To see if the town will raise a sufficient sum of money to pay the State aid for the ensuing year.

11. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to paint the Town House.

12. To see if the town will raise a sum of money to paint the fence around the park.

13. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money, for the proper accommodation of the library, and purchase books for the same.

14. To see what action the town will take in regard to truant scholars.

15. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the meeting houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this thirteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

Receipts AND Expenditures

— OF THE —

TOWN OF WENHAM

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING FEB. 19, 1887,

— WITH THE —

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

SALEM:

PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.

1887.

REPORT.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid Jennie S. Bertwell, teaching winter term, 1885,	$ 91.00
" " " spring " 1886,	90 00
" " " fall " "	90.00
John K. Dodge, wood for 1886,	18.00
B. C. Corning, building fires and care of room,	5.00
Total,	$294.00

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid Addie Dodge, teaching winter term, 1885,	$108.00
Minnie Foster, " spring " 1886,	108.00
" " " fall " "	108.00
Charles Wilkins, wood 1886,	22.50
Mary L. Prince, building fires and care of room,	8.00
Total,	$354.50

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid Grace H. Rogers, teaching winter term, 1885,	$ 90.00
" " " spring " 1886,	90.00
" " " fall " "	90.00
John Girdler, coal,	20.50
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,	20.30
Total,	$310.80

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Paid Carrie L. Lakeman, teaching winter term, 1885,	$108.00
" " " spring " 1886,	108.65
" " " fall " "	108.00
John Girdler, coal,	40.00

Paid	Wellington Pool, building fires,	15.00
	Lucy Crowell, care of school-room,	10.00
Total,		$389.65

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid	Minnie A. Callahan, teaching winter term, 1885,	$108.00
	Alice A. Smith, " spring " 1886,	108.00
	" " " fall " "	108.00
	Joseph G. Kent, wood,	16.00
	John Girdler, coal,	11.00
	Nellie Standley, building fires and care of room,	8.00
Total,		$359.00

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid	Elbridge Porter, school supplies and taking census of school children,	$ 7.00
	H. W. Dodge, setting glass and making blackboards,	5.25
	Mrs. Sopher, cleaning West school-room,	2.00
	Mr. Fitz, repairing school-room, West school,	2.74
	Jewett & Blanchard, labor, West school,	1.75
	J. L. Hammett, school supplies,	9.25
	Harper and Brothers, books,	8.00
	Knight, Adams & Co., books,	16.74
	C. H. Whiting, books,	33.84
	Merrill & Mackintire, school supplies,	20.97
	Wm. Ware & Co., school supplies,	7.20
	Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, school supplies,	10.13
	Houghton, Mifflin & Co., school supplies,	3.32
	Wm. Ropes, stove and funnel, West school,	33.25
	Whitcomb & Carter, supplies,	2.05
	Putnam & Pope, lumber,	.84
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies for West school,	2.60
	F. M. Dodge, school books and supplies,	16.70
Total,		$183.63

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

WARD ONE.

JOHN K. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Benj. F. Burchstead,	$ 5.10
	Wm. H. Beck,	5.10
	Mrs. F. Burchstead,	5.10
	Addison Williams,	5.10
	John K. Dodge,	22.32
	Mrs. G. M. Williams,	5.10
	D. W. Preston,	8.33
Total,		$ 56.15

WARD TWO.

T. F. THOMPSON, SURVEYOR.

Paid	T. F. Thompson,	$ 1.53
	Thomas Thompson,	10.20
	John Gentlee,	13.70
	R. F. Dodge,	15.20
	Jacob Brown,	7.75
	Jane Johnson,	10.20
	Mrs. H. L. Peavey,	3.70
	Cyrus Tuttle,	3.40
	Gideon Lattimer,	1.70
Total,		$67.38

WARD THREE.

CHARLES WILKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid	R. F. Edwards,	$ 9.15
	Nicholas Dodge,	3.40
	Elbridge Perkins,	10.20
	Charles O. Killam,	6.60
	S. R. Prince,	13.50
	S. Norcross,	3.40
	Zachariah Cole,	16.60
	Miss A. G. Pingree,	19.70

F. M. Dodge,	11.94
Charles Wilkins,	20.16
Total,	$114.65

WARD FOUR.

Dennis Harrigan, Surveyor.

Paid Wm. P. Dodge,	$ 11.20
Simeon Dodge Jr.,	9.80
G. F and F. S. Dodge,	14.60
Dennis Harrrigan,	3.40
F. R. Edwards, gravel,	8.50
Total,	$ 47.50

WARD FIVE.

Elbridge Porter, Surveyor.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh,	$ 11.20
J. Kavanagh,	9.80
J. F. Batchelder,	10.20
Henry Tarr,	4.90
Elbridge Porter,	46.93
Mrs. Thomas P. Pingree,	6.60
Milton Woodman,	3.40
E. Tinkham,	8.33
S. Kent,	5.95
Geo. Jones,	7.48
W. Kavanagh,	3.40
A. Webber,	3.40
Mr. Spiller,	1.70
A. Hodgdon,	5.95
J. Williams,	3.40
Frank Standley,	5.30
J. L. Batchelder,	17.37
Charles Perkins,	7.35
Wm. S. Cummings,	14.15
Daniel Perkins,	6.40

Paid	F. E. Perkins, gravel,	8.40
	M. Sullivan,	12.61
Total,		$204.22

WARD SIX.

DANIEL A. HOMAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Everett K. Day,	$ 6.29
	James L. Dodge,	6.29
	Alexander Webber,	3.40
	Wm. Guild,	1.70
	Geo. W. Jones,	4 25
	Warren Jones,	4.25
	John Caves,	5.10
	T. M Barnes,	5.10
	A. Hutchinson,	3.40
	D. A. Homan,	6.46
Total,		$ 46.24

WARD SEVEN.

STEPHEN COOK, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Stephen Cook,	$ 14.10
	Ira D. Batchelder,	16.15
	Geo. W. Peabody Jr.,	9.35
	Harvey S. Cook,	5.10
	Harvey Pierce,	9.50
	N. P. Perkins,	15.56
	Elbridge A. Dodge,	6.80
	W. F. Piper,	3.50
	Joseph Kent,	3.40
	Est. James Clark,	6.80
	John Flint,	2.60
Total,		$ 92.86

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Edward L. Kimball,	$ 9.35

Paid	James T. Brown,	14.80
	Joseph Wesel,	13.75
	Wm. West,	4.90
	Charles Bagley,	3.40
	Charles H. Stanton,	3.40
Total,		$ 49.60

SNOW DEPARTMENT.

WARD ONE.

JOHN K. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	John K. Dodge,	$ 5.45
	Wm. Beck,	1.50
	D. W. Preston,	2.40
	Philip Morrill,	1.40
	G. H. Wyatt,	2.80
	John Higgins,	1.60
	E. E. Wyatt,	1.00
	Joseph Wentworth,	1.00
	Mr. Elliott,	1.20
	B. F. Burchstead,	1.50
	Addison Williams,	5.40
Total,		$25.25

WARD TWO.

T. F. THOMPSON, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Thomas Thompson,	$ 13.60
	Thomas F. Thompson,	8 40
	Mrs. H. L. Peavey,	5.10
	T. J. Peach,	2.40
	Cyrus Tuttle,	3.20
	John Gentlee,	10.00
	Jacob Brown,	4.90
	Geo. W. Johnson,	12.00
	R. F. Dodge,	2.20
Total,		$61.80

WARD THREE.

Charles Wilkins, Surveyor.

Paid	Charles Wilkins,	$ 10 85
	S. R. Prince,	8.55
	F. R. Edwards,	4.10
	F. M. Dodge,	7 60
	Zachariah Cole,	2.60
	H. W. Dodge,	2.70
	Alonzo Young,	3.00
	S. Norcross,	2.60
	John P. Conant,	2.40
	Charles O. Killam,	6.00
	Wm. Tucker,	5.10
	Miss A. G. Pingree,	1.00
	Elbridge Perkins,	5.20
	Nicholas Dodge,	7.20
	Jacob E. Dodge,	2.40
Total,		$ 71.30

WARD FOUR.

Dennis Harrigan, Surveyor.

Paid	Dennis Harrigan,	$ 9.95
	Simeon Dodge Jr ,	15.10
	Albert W. Dodge,	5.60
	Wm. P. Dodge,	13.65
	Herbert Porter,	3.60
	Geo. F. Dodge,	7.53
	F. S. Dodge,	1.30
Total,		$ 56.73

WARD FIVE.

Elbridge Porter, Surveyor.

Paid	P. H. Kavanagh,	$ 16.20
	M. Sullivan,	4.60
	E. Tinkham,	2.90
	A. Hodgdon,	2.30

Paid	J. F. Batchelder,	14 20
	J. L. Batchelder,	9.50
	W. Burnham,	.40
	Elbridge Porter,	26.30
	Charles Perkins,	1.40
	S. Kent,	.40
	Warren Jones,	.70
	W. Dodge,	.20
	Daniel Homan,	.40
	C. McQueeny,	1.80
	J. P. Dodge,	1.00
	A. Trowt,	1.00
	Howard Trowt,	1.00
	F. Tarr,	.80
	Fred Porter,	.80
	M. Shattuck,	1.00
	J. Moore,	1.00
	J. Kavanagh,	1.40
	Wellington Pool,	.20
	Charles W. Spiller,	1.90
	Mr. Woodman,	.20
	Abbott Johnson,	.20
	Geo. E. Johnson,	.20
Total,		$ 92.00

WARD SIX.

Daniel A. Homan, Surveyor.

Paid	Wm. Yariagle,	$ 1.35
	Warren Jones,	2.05
	Geo. W. Jones,	1.45
	Thomas M. Barnes,	.80
	Aug. Hutchinson,	1.45
	E. K. Day,	1.35
	Geo. Knowlton,	1.45
	Alexander Webber,	1.55
	George Knowlton, Jr.,	1.55

Paid Daniel A. Homan,	3.90
Total,	$ 16.90

WARD SEVEN.

STEPHEN COOK, SURVEYOR.

Paid Stephen Cook,	$ 5.74
Harvey S. Cook,	1.70
Geo. W. Peabody Jr.,	6.80
S. S. Cook,	4.51
J. L. Moulton,	1.60
Mrs. Clark,	1.95
S. E. Kimball,	1.60
Wm. Goodwin,	2.00
Ira D. Batchelder,	2.60
Luther W. Batchelder,	3.35
Elbridge Dodge,	.80
Wm. F. Piper,	3.05
C. S. Cook,	.50
Joseph Kent,	1.40
E. C. Cook,	3.40
Total,	$ 41.00

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid James T. Brown,	$ 4.90
J. A. Wesel,	.60
Total,	$ 5.50

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid Thomas F. Thompson, labor on bridge and road in Ward 2,	$ 5.61
Thomas Thompson, labor on bridge and road in Ward 2,	26.44
John Gentlee, labor on bridge and road in Ward 2,	29.72
John Lear, " " " "	6.80

Paid	Jane Johnson, labor and rocks sold in Ward 2,	12.68
	J. Peavey, labor on bridge and road in Ward 2,	5.44
	E. A. Cheever, " " " "	2.72
	R. F. Dodge, " " " "	1.46
	Jacob Brown, " " " "	5.06
	Cyrus Tuttle, " " " "	4.33
	G. W. Lattimer, " " " "	3.23
	T. J. Peach, " " " "	2.50
	J. F. Batchelder, labor in Ward 5,	4.77
	J. L. Batchelder, " "	12.29
	Elizabeth Waters, " "	7.88
	Elbridge Porter, " "	19.94
	E. Tinkham, " "	2.55
	S. Kent, " "	3.23
	G. W. Jones, " "	1.70
	A. Webber, " "	2.55
	W. Burnham, " "	2.55
	P. P. Tyrrill, gravel in "	5.70
	Simeon Dodge Jr., labor & material on "Dodge's bridge,"	23.00
	Wm. P. Dodge, labor and material on "Dodge's bridge,"	28.22
	Geo. F. Dodge, labor on "Dodge's bridge,"	1.00
	P. H. Kavanagh, hauling rocks to "Dodge's bridge,"	2.25
	Geo. W. Jones, labor on "Dodge's bridge,"	7.65
	Dennis Harrigan, " " "	7.65
	Daniel E. Homan, labor on "Dodge's bridge" and road,	12.25
	James T. Brown, labor in Ward 8,	1.70
	E. L Kimball, " "	.85
	F. E. Perkins, gravel in Ward 5,	.60
	Wm. E. Porter, labor on "Pingree's bridge,"	14.93
	John I. Durgin, labor on "Dodge's bridge,"	1.70
	Charles Wilkins, labor in Wards 3 and 4,	6.75
	John A. Dodge, labor in Ward 8,	3.40
Total,		$281.10

POOR DEPARTMENT.

GEORGE W. BABCOCK.

Paid	City of Malden, supplies,	$141.09
	Town of Everett, supplies,	133.60
Total,		$274.69

KIMBALL H. DREW.

Paid	John Meldram, board,	$ 15.00
	James H. Perkins Jr., clothing and medicine,	9.35
	Dr. S. E. Thayer, medical attendance,	5.00
Total,		$ 29.35

E. K. FLINT.

Paid	Dr. F. A. Cowles, medical attendance,	$ 5.00

JOHN A. HOYT.

Paid	Town of Bradford, supplies, 1884,	$ 11 10
	Cash,	20.00
	James H. Perkins Jr., supplies,	3.00
Total,		$ 34.10

LUCY A. STRAVIS.

Paid	City of Lynn, supplies,	$ 72.00

ELVIRA M. DODGE.

Paid	Town of Hatfield, supplies for 1885,	$ 84.36

FAMILY OF RICHARD BURNHAM.

Paid	C. H. Warren & Co., coal,	$ 13.50
	Daniel Richards & Son, supplies,	73.04
	Joseph G. Kent, wood,	3.50
	Dr. Henry F. Batchelder, medical attendance,	27.00
Total,		$117.04

IVORY DAY.

Paid	Addison Davis, wood,	$ 5.00
	H. W. Woodbury, supplies,	43.93
Total,		$ 48.93

MARY DODGE.

Paid	H. M. White, board,	$ 24.00

LOCK-UP AND TRAMPS.

Paid	Wm. G. Webber, blankets,	$ 8.00
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	26.05
	Dr. F. A. Cowles, medical attendance,	1.00
	Joseph B. Woodman, housing two cords of wood,	.90
	" " for filing saws,	50
	" " cleaning bedding,	.25
	" " care of 558 tramps,	35.00
	John Gentlee, tin ware,	.87
Total,		$ 72.57

TOWN HOUSE AND HALL.

Paid	Charles F. Elliott, labor and stock,	$ .85
	Geo. B Melcher, paint and oil,	54.77
	Jason Clark, repairing blinds and settees,	30.30
	H. W. Dodge, labor and stock,	111.12
	Fifield & Page, repairing roof,	4.05
	P. H. Kavanagh, teaming paint,	.50
	John Girdler, coal,	22 00
	Charles W. Perkins, wood,	1.25
	M. Sullivan, wood,	14.00
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	5.26
	Wellington Pool, care of town-room and hall,	45.65
Total,		$289.75

PARK AND COMMON.

Paid	H. W. Dodge, labor on fence,	$ 4.65
	Wellington Pool, labor,	10.96
Total,		$ 15.61

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies at Tyrrill's fire,	$ 9.13
	James H. Perkins Jr., supplies,	1.00
	Warren Larrabee, care at Tyrrill's fire,	1.70
	Henry Tarr, care at Tyrrill's fire and supplies,	7.03
	Frank Tarr, " " "	1.70
	Geo. W. Jones, " " "	3.40
	Samuel A. Porter, care at Tyrrill's fire,	3.40
	P. H. Kavanagh, hauling fire company and hose carriage to Beverly,	2.00
	Charles E. Beard for entertaining firemen at Tyrrill's fire,	5.00
	Town of Beverly, for steamer at Tyrrill's fire,	24.75
	Daniel E. Homan, labor on engine,	1.00
	Simeon Dodge Jr., care at Tyrrill's fire,	2.00
Total,		$ 62.11

LIBRARY.

Paid	Abbott Johnson,	$ 25.00
	Wm. E. Porter, stock and labor,	23.37
	Geo. H. Woodbury, stock and labor,	7.00
	Foote & Horton, printing catalogues,	7.00
	H. W. Dodge, stock and labor,	4.15
	A. D & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	.43
	Dewolfe, Fiske & Co., books,	66.71
Total,		$133.66

CEMETERY.

Paid Jason Clark, labor,	$	6.80

INCIDENTALS.

Paid B. H. Conant, care of town clock,	$	20.00
Horace Doane, repairing pump,		5.00
Boston and Maine R. R., freight,		.77
J. W. Hazelton, 3 police badges,		7.50
Jason Clark, repairs on hearse,		1.75
Foote & Horton, printing reports and notices,		56.85
Merrill & Mackintire, tax book,		1 08
H. W. Dodge, labor and stock on school house,		8.65
Abbott Johnson, trimming trees,		2.62
Edward F. Standley, oil and care of lantern at Dodge's bridge, 182 days,		20 00
D. A. Homan, labor on bridge in Ward 6,		2.50
D. E. Homan, labor on well,		1.00
James T. Brown, six cedar posts,		2.40
Wm. E. Porter, labor and stock on school house,		63.55
" " " " engine "		4.74
C. W. L. Moulton, fire ladder,		5.00
Charles F. Dudley, labor and stock,		4 80
Dr. S. E. Thayer, returning births,		2.25
Warren Jones, labor on ladder house,		6.30
H. H. Demsey, ironing heater,		12.00
B. F. Young, repairs,		.75
Salem Press, printing,		1.25
Wm. E. Hadlock, repairing clock in Town Hall,		2.00
Little, Brown & Co., Herrick's town officer,		3.00
Wellington Pool, administering oaths,		3.33
" " cash paid for fixtures and expressage,		4.26
Wellington Pool, posting 3 notices for registrar's meeting,		1.50
Daniel C. Smith, lumber,		11.73
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, postage, ink and nails,		.52

Paid Joseph M. Parsons, drain pipe, ... $ 35.60
John Gentlee, 7 journeys to Salem for drain pipe and laying the same, ... 18.54

Total, ... $311.24

TOWN OFFICERS.

TRUANT OFFICER.

Paid Geo. W. Peabody, services for 1 year, ... $ 3.00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Elbridge Porter, 12 days' services, ... $ 24.00
Elbridge K. Standley, services for 1 year, ... 17.00
F. M. Dodge, " " 59 25

Total, ... $100.25

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Pool, services for one year, ... $ 20.00
" " journey to Ipswich to return votes for representative, ... 2.00
Wellington Pool, stationery and postage, ... 2.07
" " returning deaths as undertaker for record, ... 2.50
Wellington Pool, recording births, marriages and deaths, and returning the same to Secretary of State, ... 16.85

Total, ... $ 43.42

CONSTABLE AND POLICE.

Paid Henry Alley, services for 1 year, ... $ 7.50
Michael Buckley, " " 2.00

Total, ... $ 9.50

REGISTRARS.

Paid John Gentlee, 2½ days' services,	$	5.00
John I. Durgin, 2½ days' services,		5.00
James T. Brown, 2½ days' services,		5.00
Wellington Pool, " "		5.00
Total,	$	20.00

SELECTMEN.

Paid John Gentlee, 23½ days' services,	$	40.76
" " 14 journeys to Boston and other places,		30.31
John Gentlee, 3½ days' perambulating town lines,		7.00
" " postage for Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor,		1.42
John Gentlee, conducting correspondence, and preparing returns,		15.00
John I. Durgin, 21 days' services,		35.70
" " journeys out of town,		3 85
" " 3½ days' perambulating town lines,		7.00
James T. Brown, 16 days' services,		27.20
" " journeys out of town,		3.00
" " 3½ days' perambulating town lines,		7.00
Total,	$	178.24

ASSESSORS.

Paid John Gentlee, 11 days' services,	$	22.00
" " copying estimate to return to the State,		9.00
John I. Durgin, 9½ days' services,		19.00
James T. Brown, 7 days' services,		14.00
Total,	$	64.00

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid John Gentlee, services for 1 year,	$	10.00
" " 4 journeys out of town,		6.00

Paid	John Gentlee, journey to Hatfield and expenses,	15.05
	John I. Durgin, services for 1 year,	6.00
	James T. Brown, services for 1 year,	6.00
	" " journey out of town,	2.00
Total,		$ 45.05

TREASURER.

Paid Wm. F. Trowt, salary for 1 year, ... $50.00

COLLECTOR.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh, part payment for collection, ... $45.00

STATE AID.

Paid	Mary P. Merrill, under Acts of 1879,	Chap. 301,		$ 48.00
	Edward A. Monies,	"	"	48.00
	Sarah E. Monies,	"	"	48.00
	John A. Hoyt,	"	"	28.00
	Vinnia Hoyt,	"	"	28.00
	Warren Larrabee,	"	"	28.00
	Harriet Larrabee,	"	"	28.00
	Charlotte E. Lee,	"	"	8.00
	Thomas H. Clark,	"	Chap. 252,	114.00
	Kimball H. Drew,	"	"	144.00
	Edwin Plaisted,	"	"	40.00
Total,				$562.00

ABATEMENTS.

Richard H. Cloutman, one poll, 1883,		$ 2.00
Wm. Kimball,	" "	2.75
Proctor K. Brown,	" 1884,	2.00
Richard H. Cloutman, one-half poll, 1884,		1.00
A. Hutchinson, one poll, 1884,		2.00

Warren F. Hobbs, deceased,	$ 2.00
Charles F. Hobbs, one poll, 1884,	2.00
Abbott W. Johnson, " "	2.00
Geo. E. Johnson, " "	2.00
Wm. Kimball, one poll and personal,	2.75
Samuel A. Porter, one poll, 1884,	2.00
Wm. M. Staten, " "	2.00
Joseph A. Wesel, " "	2.00
Milton A. Woodman, " "	2.00
Joseph D. Marshall, " "	2.00
John Plaisted, " "	2.00
Joel Allen, " 1885,	2.00
Fred N. Bosson, " "	2.00
Richard H. Cloutman, " "	2.00
Woodbury P. Conant, " not liable,	2.00
Wm. F. Clarry, one poll, 1885,	2.00
Wm. Choate, " "	2.00
John P. Dodge, " "	2.00
John S. Dwinnell, deceased,	2.00
Alonzo H. Gray, "	2.00
Warren F. Hobbs, "	2.00
Lewis E. Goodridge, one poll, 1885,	2.00
A. Hutchinson, " "	2.00
Charles Hawkins, deceased,	2.00
B. S. Knowlton, one poll, 1885,	2.00
Joseph D. Marshall, " "	2.00
E. B. Pulsifer, " "	2.00
John Plaisted, " "	2.00
Arthur C. Stanton, not liable,	2.00
Wm. M. Staten, "	2.00
Thomas H. Clark, one poll, 1885,	2 00
Charles E. Stevens, " "	2.00
Frank Tarrio, " "	2 00
Woodman Tyler, " "	2.00
M. B. Tapley, one poll and personal,	2.75
Geo. W. Peabody, too much personal,	.25
Ellen Spiller, not liable,	.75
Mrs. Staten, personal,	.50

John Tinkham, personal,	$ .25
Betsey Patch, too much real,	3.00
Samuel Porter, too much personal,	2.00
Estate A. Gould, " "	27.00
Total,	$115.00

SUMMARY OF TOWN EXPENSES.

Schools,	$1,707.95
School Incidentals,	183.63
Highway Wards,	678.60
Extra Highway,	281.10
Clearing Snow,	370.48
Poor,	689.47
Lock-up and Tramps,	72.57
Town House and Hall,	289.75
Park and Common,	15.61
Fire Department,	62.11
Library,	133.66
Cemetery,	6.80
Incidentals,	311.24
Town Officers,	558.46
State Aid,	562.00
Abatements,	115.00
Total,	$6,038.43

COLLECTORS' ACCOUNTS.

HENRY HOBBS, COLLECTOR FOR 1884, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance due on tax list for 1884,	$ 47.65
	Cr.
By payment to Wm. F. Trowt, Treasurer,	$ 32.50
Uncollected taxes,	15.15
Total,	$ 47.65

P. H. KAVANAGH, COLLECTOR FOR 1885, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance due on tax list, 1885,	$ 129.00
To tax list committed to him to collect, 1886,	5,740.75
Additions to tax list,	4.50
Total,	$5,874.25

	Cr.
By payments to Wm. F. Trowt, Treasurer,	$5,650.00
Uncollected taxes,	224.25
Total,	$5,874.25

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

WM. F. TROWT, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance in the Treasury, Feb. 12, 1886,	$1,707.96
Cash received from Wellington Pool, for rent of Town Hall,	79.75
Cash received from Congregational Parish, for stone,	3.00
" " State National Bank tax,	291.26
" " " Corporation tax,	75 79
" " " State aid,	219.00
" " " School fund,	209.40
" " County Treasurer, for dog tax,	139.03
" " W. F. Trowt, for hay scales,	38.51
" " P. H. Kavanagh, Collector,	5,650.00
" " Henry Hobbs, Collector, 1884,	32.50
" " State, for State pauper,	7.00
Total,	$8,453.20

PAYMENTS.

	Cr.
Paid Interest on Town debt,	$ 135.00

Paid Cemetery fund,	$ 11.39
Temporary loan,	18.38
State tax,	435.00
County tax,	550.70
Selectmen's orders,	6,038.43
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 19, 1887,	1,264.30
Total,	$8,453.20

ASSESSORS' VALUATION OF PROPERTY.

Real estate,	$430,500.75
Personal estate,	89,300.00
Total,	$519,800.75

Number of polls, 271.

Tax on polls,	$ 542.00
Tax on real and personal estate, at $1 per $100,	5,198.75
Total,	$5,740.75

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE TOWN.

LIABILITIES.

Note due State of Massachusetts,	$2,500.00
" Estate of J. Low,	700.00
" Trustees of Cemetery Fund,	475.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Perkins, with interest to Feb. 1, 1887,	2,290.02
Estimated amount of outstanding bills,	500.00
Total,	$6,465.02

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	$1,264.30
Due from Henry Hobbs,	15.15

Due from P. H. Kavanagh,	$ 224.25
" the State for State aid,	413.00
Total,	$1,916.70
Balance against the town, Feb. 19, 1887,	$4,548.32

In accordance with a vote of the town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses :—

Schools,	$1,400.00
School Incidentals,	200.00
Poor,	800.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Highway,	900.00
Library,	100.00
Interest,	150.00
Total,	$4,550.00

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast, and the bills on file with the orders corresponding thereto.

FRANCIS M. DODGE,
WILLIAM F. TROWT,
} Auditors.

Wenham, Feb. 21, 1887.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT, 1886.

MARRIAGES.

Seven marriage certificates were issued, and thirteen marriages recorded. Five of the couples were non-residents. Both parties of two couples were residents; of the others, three of the grooms and three of the brides were residents. All but two were of American birth. With all it was the first marriage, excepting one groom with whom it was the second.

BIRTHS.

There were twenty-five births, eleven males and fourteen females: twenty were of American, four of mixed, and one of foreign parentage.

DEATHS.

There were nine deaths, two males, and seven females; four were born in Wenham. Eight were of American, and one of foreign birth. Five were removed from town for interment, and one other awaits removal. Ages: One stillborn, one two weeks, one each of 21, 27, 48, 77, 79, 92, and (nearly) 94 years.

In addition to the foregoing three were brought to Wenham for interment; also, nine were brought from other places to Wenham for *re*-interment.

DOGS.

Seventy-two dogs—sixty-three males and nine females—were licensed; and from the money received therefor, the sum of one hundred and fifty-six dollars and sixty cents ($156.60) was paid into the County Treasury.

The sum returned to the Town Treasury was one hundred and thirty-nine dollars and three cents ($139.03.)

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wenham, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
2. To act on the Annual Report of the Selectmen.
3. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, to make appropriation of the same, and determine the manner of collecting.
5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money in anticipation of the taxes, as may be necessary to meet current expenses.
6. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? The ballots shall be "Yes" or "No."
7. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as proposed by the Selectmen.
8. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the expense of Memorial Day, under the direction of the sailors and soldiers of Wenham.
9. To see if the town will raise a sufficient sum of money to pay the State aid for the ensuing year.
10. To see what action the town will take in regard to truant scholars.
11. To see what action the town will take in regard to building a ladder house and furnishing fire ladders, on the cor-

ner near the house of Thomas Thompson, and raise money for the same.

12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to straighten and widen the road from "Wilkins's Corner" to the house formerly owned by the late Daniel P. Dodge, and raise money for the same.

13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to straighten and widen Hart street, from H. Dodge's mill to Beverly line, and raise money for the same.

14. To see what action the town will take in regard to naming the streets throughout the town.

15. To see if the town will vote to build cisterns upon the highways to store water for the protection of property against fire, and raise money for the same. By petition of Ivory Quimby and others.

16. To see if the town will vote to lower the drain sufficiently to drain the land in the rear of Patch and Gould's Factory, and raise money for the same. By request of Amos Gould.

17. To see if the town will vote to establish street lamps along the main street, and on all corners of the highways, and raise money for the same. By request of G. W. Parsons and others.

18. To see if the town will vote to make Arbor and Perkins streets in said town, a separate highway ward, or what they will do in relation thereto. By petition of Daniel Perkins and others.

19. To see what action the town will take in regard to opening a street from the County road, near the Wenham and Hamilton line, through the lands of Mrs. Harriet E. Pingree and Mr. Wm. S. Cummings, to connect with Porter Street leading from Arbor street, and raise money for the same. By petition of Wesley Burnham and others.

20. To see what action the town will take in regard to opening a street from Arbor street, near the Congregational Chapel, through the land of H. H. Demsey, Henry Hobbs and P. H.

1887

Kavanagh, to Arbor Street, near the "town pound," and raise money for the same. By request of P. H. Kavanagh.

21. To see if the town will vote to organize and pay, a fire company for the better protection of property against fire, and raise money for the same.

22. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the meeting houses in said town, seven days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this twenty-first day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

Receipts AND Expenditures

—OF THE—

TOWN OF WENHAM,

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING FEB. 16, 1888.

—WITH THE—

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1888.

REPORT.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid Jennie S. Bertwell, teaching winter term, 1886,		$90.00
" " " spring " 1887,		82.50
" " " fall " "		90.00
Susie A. Porter, building fires and care of room,		5.00
John K. Dodge, wood, 1887,		18.50
Total,		$286.00

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid Minnie Foster, teaching winter term, 1886,	$108.00
" " " spring " 1887,	108.00
" " " fall " "	108.00
Charles Wilkins, wood, 1887,	22.50
Mary L. Prince, care of room and building fires,	8.00
Total,	$354.50

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid Grace H. Rogers, teaching winter term, 1886,	$96.00
" " " spring " 1887,	96.00
Harriet A. Allen, " fall " "	90.00
John Girdler, coal,	12.00
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,	19 65
Total,	$313.65

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Paid Carrie L Lakeman, teaching winter term, 1886,	$108.00
Ada G. Rust, " spring " 1887,	108.00
Emma L. Nason, " fall " "	108.00
John Girdler, coal,	38.00

Paid	Wellington Pool, building fires,	$15.00
	Lucy Crowell, care of room,	10.00
	Total,	$387.00

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid	Alice A. Smith, teaching winter term, 1886,	$108.00
	Etta Larkin, " spring " 1887,	99.00
	" " fall " "	90.00
	Ella M. Packard, " " " "	18.00
	Otis Alley, care of room and building fires,	10 00
	Joseph G. Kent, wood,	5.25
	Luther W. Batchelder, wood,	1.50
	John Girdler, coal and wood,	17.50
	Total,	$349.25

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid	Boston School Supplies Co.,	$44.48
	Merrill & Mackintire, supplies,	15.11
	B. A. Fowler, supplies,	20.00
	G. H. Woodbury, repairing plastering, Neck school,	1.00
	Isaac Porter, stock and labor,	14.00
	Lucy Crowell, cleaning Primary school-room,	3.00
	Wm. Ware & Co., books,	14.80
	E. K. Standley, setting glass,	1.25
	Bennett Rowe, repairing blackboards,	2.92
	Cowperthwait & Co., books,	11.70
	Daniel T. Smith, one clock,	1.50
	Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, window shades, West school,	2.32
	Whitcomb & Carter, locks and glass, West school,	.90
	Mrs. Soper, cleaning West school-room,	1.50
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	1.56
	F. M. Dodge, cash for expressage,	1.00
	" " " books and supplies,	15.00
	" " administering oaths to school committee,	.25
	Total,	$152.29

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

WARD ONE.

JOHN K. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	John K. Dodge,	$27.20
	Benj. F. Burchstead,	10.20
	Philip Morrill,	5.10
	Addison Williams,	14.05
	Daniel W. Preston,	6.00
	Total,	$62.55

WARD TWO.

JOHN GENTLEE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	John Gentlee,	$26.97
	Jacob Brown,	15.30
	R. F. Dodge,	12.90
	Thomas Thompson,	19.83
	Cyrus Tuttle,	4.25
	Jane Johnson,	6.80
	Hannah Peavey,	5.10
	Francis S. Lovett,	7.55
	Total,	$98.70

WARD THREE.

CHARLES WILKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Zach. Cole,	$16.09
	Jacob E. Dodge,	4.25
	F. R. Edwards,	15.50
	S. R. Prince,	17.60
	F. M. Dodge,	11.70
	Charles O. Killam,	5.10
	Wm. Tucker,	1.70
	Elbridge Perkins,	10.20
	Charles Wilkins,	27.05
	Total,	$109.19

WARD FOUR.

DENNIS HARRIGAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid	W. P. Dodge,	$16.80
	Geo. F. Dodge,	14.00
	Simeon Dodge Jr.,	19.80
	Dennis Harrigan,	5.10
	F. R. Edwards, gravel,	10.50
	Total,	$66.20

WARD FIVE.

ELBRIDGE PORTER, SURVEYOR.

Paid	P. H. Kavanagh,	$13.72
	J. Kavanagh,	9.80
	J. F. Batchelder,	13.85
	J. L. Batchelder,	15.71
	E. Tinkham,	9.35
	Elbridge Porter,	31.84
	A. Hodgon,	5.95
	J. L. Williams,	8.50
	John Kavanagh,	7.65
	Henry Morton,	7.65
	Frank Perkins, gravel,	14.40
	Thomas Carroll,	1.70
	P. P Tyrrill, gravel,	8.00
	Dennis Harrigan,	1.70
	Est. Elizabeth Waters,	1.70
	Mr. Catherin,	1.70
	Total,	$153 22

WARD SIX.

D. A. HOMAN SURVEYOR.

Paid	E. K. Day,	$10.20
	Sargent Knowlton,	11.47
	Geo. B. Knowlton,	5.10
	John A. Hoyt,	5.10
	Burtswell Yariagle,	5.10

Paid	Hatswell Ingersoll,	$1.70
	Henry A. Cook,	4.59
	Geo. Howe,	5.10
	D. A. Homan,	7.82
	Jer. Kavanagh, gravel,	11.80
	Geo. Jones,	1.70
	Total,	$69.68

WARD SEVEN.

ELBRIDGE A. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Joseph G. Kent,	$ 5.10
	Ira D. Batchelder,	11.90
	Burtswell Yariagle,	1.70
	Geo. W. Peabody,	3.40
	Geo. W. Peabody Jr.,	1.70
	S. S. Cook,	5.10
	Mrs. J. Clark,	3.40
	Joseph Martin,	1.70
	E. L. Kimball,	.42
	N. P. Perkins,	11.20
	E. K. Standley,	7.35
	Joseph Wesel,	1.70
	W. W. Goodwin,	7.40
	Elbridge A. Dodge,	48.53
	Wm. Piper,	20.25
	Joseph A. Wesel,	4.25
	Dudley Townes, gravel,	3.15
	John Flint, "	11.75
	Total,	$150.00

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid	James T. Brown,	$16.10
	E. L. Kimball,	10.95
	A. Nickerson,	6.80
	J. Wesel,	6.75

Paid	J. A. Wesel,	$4.25
	C. Stanton,	4.25
	C. Bagley,	1.70
	Frank Connell,	3.40
	P. Hanson,	.85
	Total,	$55.05

WARD NINE.

WM. S. CUMMINGS, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Wm. S. Cummings,	$9.49
	Michael Sullivan,	7.35
	E. Tinkham,	9.35
	John Tinkham,	.85
	Wesley R. Burnham,	3.40
	Charles W. Perkins,	9.80
	Daniel Perkins, gravel,	7.50
	A. W. Dodge,	1.79
	Total,	$49.53

SNOW DEPARTMENT.

WARD ONE

JOHN K. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Wm. H. Beck,	$ .50
	Joseph Wentworth,	.50
	B. F. Burchstead,	1.20
	Harris Elliott,	.40
	D. W. Preston,	.40
	A. Williams,	1.20
	J. K. Dodge,	1.90
	Total,	$6.10

WARD TWO.

JOHN GENTLEE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	John Gentlee,	$7.66
	Thomas Thompson,	7.40

Paid Thomas F. Thompson,	$2.40
Geo. W. Johnson,	5.10
Charles T. Brown,	3.80
Charles T. Smith,	.30
Edward A. Cheever,	.90
Cyrus Tuttle,	.80
Mrs. H. L. Peavey,	.80
Thomas J. Peach,	1.40
Total,	$30.56

WARD THREE.

CHARLES WILKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid Charles Wilkins,	$2.03
S. R. Prince,	3.83
F. R. Edwards,	3.40
Elbridge Perkins,	1.00
J. E. Dodge,	.90
Nicholas Dodge,	.90
Charles O. Killam,	.90
J. P. Conant,	.90
F. M. Dodge,	2.03
Total,	$15.89

WARD FOUR.

DENNIS HARRIGAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid H. W. Porter,	$1.40
Dennis Harrigan,	1.40
Albert W. Dodge,	1.40
Simeon Dodge, jr.,	7.91
Wm. P. Dodge,	2.95
Total,	$15.06

WARD FIVE.

ELBRIDGE PORTER, SURVEYOR.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh,	$11.80
J. Kavanagh,	1.40

Paid	John Kavanagh,	$ .60
	Sylvester Kent,	.60
	M. Shattuck,	1.40
	Ivory Quinby,	1.20
	A. Hodgdon,	1.20
	Elbridge Porter,	17.00
	M. Sullivan,	1.00
	J. L. Batchelder,	.40
	Total,	$36.60

WARD SIX.

DANIEL A. HOMAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid	E. K. Day,	$ .50
	Burtswell Yariagle,	.50
	Hatswell Ingersoll,	.50
	Geo. Bragdon,	.40
	Geo. Knowlton,	.45
	Geo. B. Knowlton,	.45
	Geo. Howe,	.60
	Warren Jones,	.45
	Geo. Jones,	.45
	Jacob Barnes,	.20
	A. Hutchinson,	.40
	Fred. Roundy,	.60
	Elnathan Brown,	.60
	Wm. Yariagle,	.50
	D. A. Homan,	1.60
	Total,	$8.20

WARD SEVEN.

ELBRIDGE A. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Ira D. Batchelder,	$3.00
	Wm. W. Goodwin,	.60
	Fred. Roberts,	1.40
	John H. Tiney,	1.30
	Joseph G. Kent,	.60

Paid	Stephen Cook,	$1.40
	Elbridge A. Dodge,	3.20
	Chester Cook,	.60
	Total,	$12.10

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid	James T. Brown,	$ .80
	Edward L. Kimball,	1.20
	Joseph A. Wesel,	.80
	Total,	$2.80

WARD NINE.

WM. S. CUMMINGS, SURVEYOR.

Paid	Wm. S. Cummings,	$1.40
	Charles Spiller,	.60
	Charles Perkins,	.60
	Henry Morton,	.70
	Seth Tinkham,	.70
	John Andrews,	.70
	Total,	$4.70

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid	Elbridge Porter, labor in Ward 5,	$49.26
	Dennis Harrigan, " " 4,	2.21
	Fred. Porter, " " 5,	2.21
	John Merrill, " " 4,	2.04
	J. C. Williams, " " 5,	.85
	J. F. Batchelder, " " 5,	2.04
	Henry Patch, gravel in " 5,	2.50
	James T. Brown, labor in " 8,	7.38
	John K. Dodge, " " 1,	10.54
	Dennis Harrigan, " " 4,	3.40
	Joseph Martin, " " 8,	1.70
	Elbridge A. Dodge, " " 7,	11.56
	James T. Brown, " " 7,	2.25

Paid	John A. Putnam, gravel, Ward 7,	$ .60
	F. R. Edwards, " " 4,	.45
	Wm. S. Cummings, labor " 9,	.75
	R. F. Dodge, " " 2,	7.31
	E. L. Kimball, " " 8,	2.80
	J. A. Wesel, " " 8,	.85
	Joseph Wesel, gravel, " 8,	.60
	Warren Jones, labor,	3.40
	Sylvester Kent, " " 5,	1.70
	John I. Durgin, labor on fence,	6.80
	John Gentlee, labor on road,	16.38
	Total,	$139.58

POOR DEPARTMENT.

JOHN A. HOYT.

Paid	John A. Hoyt,	$4.00
	Vienna J. Hoyt,	20.00
	Total,	$24.00

ELVIRA M. DODGE.

Paid	Town of Hatfield, supplies,	$88.04

MARY DODGE.

Paid	City of Lynn, supplies,	$7.00

KIMBALL H. DREW.

Paid	John Meldram, board,	$12.00

EDWIN PLAISTED.

Paid	City of Salem, supplies,	$23.75

SUSAN M. NORWOOD.

Paid	E. M. Webber, for care of,	$26.00
	Dr. F. A. Cowles, medical attendance,	23.00
	J. H. Perkins Jr., medicine,	1.00
	Total,	$50.00

GEORGE W. BABCOCK.

Paid	City of Malden, supplies,	$469.71

LUCY A. STRAVIS.

Paid	City of Lynn, supplies,	$72.00

C. H. TOWNES.

Paid	G. H. Wyatt, supplies,	$11.75

IVORY DAY.

Paid	H. P. Woodbury, supplies,	$62.41

FAMILY OF RICHARD BURNHAM.

Paid	C. H. Warren & Co., coal,	$23.00
	Dr. H. F. Batchelder, medical attendance,	8.00
	Wm. B. Morgan, wood,	3.50
	Daniel Richards & Sons, supplies,	83.43
	Total,	$117.93

LOCK-UP AND TRAMPS.

Paid	B. S. Lunt, funnel,	$1.00
	Geo. G. Creamer, funnel,	17.37
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	17.89
	J. B. Woodman, care of 447 tramps,	39.00
	Total,	$75.26

TOWN HOUSE AND HALL.

Paid	Charles F. Elliott, labor and stock,	$9 88
	Henry Hale, supplies,	1.83
	J. J. Perkins, six chairs,	3.50
	E. A. Simonds, burners,	1.20
	H. W. Dodge, setting glass and painting,	10.29
	Wm. S. Cummings. wood,	3.00
	Jason Clark, repairing steps and settees,	6.00
	John Girdler, coal,	22.00
	Wellington Pool, care of town room and hall,	45.60

Paid A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	$6.71
Ivory Quinby, setting glass,	.90
Charles Perkins, wood,	3.00
Total,	$113.91

PARK AND COMMON.

Paid Wellington Pool, labor,	$9.89
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, fertilizer,	2.00
Total,	$11.89

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Henry Hale & Co.,	$8.37
Owen McQueeney, supplies,	3.90
Andrew S. Jackson, hose, hooks, spanners and couplings,	83.50
Bishop & Brothers, hooks and ladders,	32.00
Clarence S. Burr, couplings,	3.55
Warren Jones, making pole for hooks,	1.60
D. C. Smith, lumber,	13.50
H. W. Dodge, painting ladder-houses and ladders,	10.19
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on ladders,	.81
George G. Creamer, pipes,	2.10
Simeon Dodge Jr., labor on ladder-houses and ladders,	14.56
James M. Shattuck, painting ladders,	2.29
John P. Conant, labor on ladder-houses,	11.25
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	6.39
John Gentlee, 12 cedar posts,	6.20
John Girdler, coal,	7.00
Henry Tarr, labor,	12.74
Mrs. Nancy Batchelder, lease and rent,	1.25
P. H. Kavanagh,	3.45
J. H. Perkins Jr., supplies,	1.36
Total,	$226.01

LIBRARY.

Paid	Dewolfe, Fiske & Co., books,	$74.01
	Abbott Johnson, sundries,	16.34
	C. S. Willcomb, set of books from B. Perley Poore,	6.50
	Lambert Jackson, binding books,	10.00
	Wellington Pool, care of room,	1.25
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	.20
	Abbott Johnson, services as librarian,	10.00
	Total,	$118.30

CEMETERY.

Paid	Samuel Clark, repairing pump,	$1.50
	Warren Jones, " bridge,	.85
	D. C. Smith, lumber for fence,	4.32
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, nails for fence,	1.35
	John I. Durgin, repairing bridge,	.85
	Total,	$8.87

INCIDENTALS.

Paid	Charles F. Elliott, repairing pump,	$3.25
	" " painting and making sign-boards,	5.95
	" " making heater,	14.00
	B. H. Conant, care of town clock,	20.00
	L. Watson & Son, damage to derrick,	20.00
	Geo. W. Jones, building railing,	4.76
	Warren Jones, " "	9.50
	Joseph M. Parsons, drain pipe,	30.33
	Thomas Groom & Co.,	5.00
	D. C. Smith, lumber,	20.93
	Foote & Horton, printing,	66.79
	Isaac Porter, building 1-2 fence by parish land,	24.60
	H. W. Dodge, painting guide-boards,	8.00
	American Express Co.,	.50
	C. H. Abbott, building snow fence,	35.00

Paid Merrill & Mackintire, supplies,	$9.19
Abbott Johnson, services as moderator,	2.00
Wellington Pool, administering oaths,	3.00
" " cash paid for fixtures and expressage,	2.00
Wellington Pool, posting notices for registrars,	1.00
" " preparing cemetery deeds,	1.00
" " expenses to Boston on account of record,	1.00
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, postage and stationery,	1.10
" " " nails for railing,	1.15
John Gentlee, 4 journeys to Salem for drain pipe,	7.55
" " laying drain pipe,	4 05
" " cash paid County Commissioners for advertising road,	2.00
Isaac Porter, repairing bridge,	1.00
George W Peabody Jr., error in ward 7 in 1886,	.85
Total,	$305 50

TOWN OFFICERS.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Elbridge Porter, 12 1-2 days' services,	$25.00
" " supplies, and taking census of school children,	6.00
E. K. Standley, services of one year,	20.00
F. M. Dodge, " " "	55.00
" " for collecting old and distributing new books,	5.00
Total,	$111.00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Pool, services for one year,	$20.00
" " journey to Ipswich to return vote for representative,	2.00
Wellington Pool, stationery and postage,	1.25

Paid	Wellington Pool, returning deaths as undertaker for record,	$5.00
	Wellington Pool, returning births, marriages and deaths, and returning the same to Secretary of State,	13.90
	Wellington Pool, to arranging, filing, and returning of births, marriages, and deaths, in conformity with chapter 202 of the act of the legislature of 1887, in part,	5.00
	Total,	$47.15

CONSTABLE AND POLICE.

Paid	Henry Alley, services for 1886 and 1887,	$15.00
	Michael Buckley, services for one year,	2.50
	Total,	$17.50

REGISTRARS.

Paid	John Gentlee, 2 1-2 days' services,	$5.00
	John I. Durgin, " " "	5.00
	James T. Brown, 2 1-2 days' services,	5.00
	Wellington Pool, " " "	5.00
	Total,	$20.00

SELECTMEN.

Paid	John Gentlee, 24 days' services,	$40.80
	" " 6 journeys out of town and expenses,	9.75
	John Gentlee, 4 journeys to Boston on account of division,	12.00
	John Gentlee, conducting correspondence and preparing returns,	15.00
	John I. Durgin, 20 days' services,	34.00
	James T. Brown, 18 " "	30.60
	Total,	$142.15

ASSESSORS.

Paid	John Gentlee, 10 days' services,	$20.00

Paid	John I. Durgin, 9 days' services,	$18.00
	James T. Brown, 7 " "	14.00
	Total,	$52.00

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid	John Gentlee, services for one year,	$10.00
	" " journeys to Boston, Lynn and Wakefield, and expenses,	6.20
	John I. Durgin, services for one year,	6.00
	James T. Brown, " " "	6 00
	" " removing Mrs. Norwood to Lynn,	3.00
	Total,	$31.20

TREASURER.

Paid	Wm. F. Trowt, services for one year,	$50.00

COLLECTOR.

Paid	Henry Hobbs, salary for 1884,	$24.00
	" " stamps and stationery,	8.00
	" " 2 journeys to Salem for tax bills and summonses,	2.00
	P. H. Kavanagh, balance of salary—1885, 1886,	9.00
	Total,	$43.00

AUDITORS.

Paid	F. M. Dodge, services for 1885 and 1886,	$4.00
	W. F. Trowt, " " "	4.00
	Total,	$8.00

STATE AID.

Paid	Mary P. Merrill, under Acts of 1879, Chap. 301,	$48.00
	Edward A. Monies, " " " "	52.50
	Sarah E. Monies, " " " "	48.00
	John A. Hoyt, " " " "	44.00
	Vienna J. Hoyt, " " " "	40.00

Paid	Warren Larrabee,	under Acts of	1879,	Chap. 301,	$48.00
	Harriet Larrabee,	"	"	" "	48.00
	Thomas H. Clark,	"	"	" 252,	126.00
	Kimball H. Drew,	"	"	" "	144.00
	Edwin Plaisted,	"	"	" "	40.00
	Total,				$638 50

ABATEMENTS.

Samuel O. Channel,	one poll,	1885,		$2.00
Eldred M. Webber,	"	"		2.00
Geo. E. Johnson,	"	"		2.00
Samuel Norcross,	"	"		2.00
Joel Allen,	"	1886,		2.00
Fred N. Bosson,	"	"	removed from town,	2.00
Wm. Burgess,	"	"	" "	2.00
Wm. B. Brown,	"	"	" "	2.00
Woodbury P. Conant,	"	"	not liable,	2.00
Wm. Choate,	"	"	" able,	2.00
Wm. G. Chase,	"	"	and personal, removed	2.50
John P. Dodge,	"	"	"	2.00
Charles H. Hobbs,	"	"	"	2.00
John H. Hunkins,	"	"	"	2.00
A. Hutchinson,	"	"	not able,	2.00
Abbott W. Johnson,	"	"	" liable,	2.00
Barnell S. Knowlton,	"	"	and personal,	2.25
Wm. Kimball,	"	"	"	2.25
Gideon W. Lattimer,	"	"	removed from town,	2.00
Warren Larrabee,	"	"	not able,	2.00
John Morgan,	"	"	removed from town,	2.00
John C. Mitchell,	"	"	" "	2.00
Charles H. Mansfield,	"	"	" "	2.00
Charles McGregor,	"	"		2.00
John Plaisted,	"	"	not able,	2.00
Charles T. Smith,	"	"	"	2.00
Edward L. Standley,	"	"	removed from town,	2.00

Charles W. Spiller, one poll, 1886, removed from town,	$2.00
Geo. F. Stone, " " " "	2.00
John W. Tinkham, " " and personal,	2.50
James Woodbury, " " too old,	2.00
Wm. S. West, " " and personal, removed	4.35
Alonzo Young, " "	2.00
Jacob Brown, " " too old,	2.00
Thomas Cullen, " "	2.00
F. E. Perkins, too much real, 1887,	3.00
Geo. P. Osgood, personal, trustee, not liable, 1887,	65.00
David Smith, " " "	5.00
Charles H. Julyn, " " "	4.50
Ivory Quinby, too much real, 1887,	2.50
Israel Norwood, one poll, 1886,	2.00
Total,	$155.85

SUMMARY OF TOWN EXPENSES.

Schools,	$1,690.40
School Incidentals,	152.29
Highway Wards,	814.12
Clearing Snow,	132.01
Extra Highway,	139.58
Poor,	938.59
Lock-up and Tramps,	75.26
Town House and Hall,	113.91
Park and Common,	11.89
Fire Department,	226.01
Library,	118.30
Cemetery,	8.87
Incidentals,	305.50
Town Officers,	522.00
State Aid,	638.50
Abatements,	155 85
Total,	$6,043.08

COLLECTORS' ACCOUNTS.

HENRY HOBBS, COLLECTOR FOR 1884, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Uncollected taxes,	$15.15

P. H. KAVANAGH, COLLECTOR FOR 1886, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance due on tax list for 1886,	$224.25
	Cr.
By payment to W. F. Trowt, Treasurer,	$223.25
Uncollected taxes,	1.00
Total,	$224.25

JAMES H. PERKINS, COLLECTOR FOR 1887, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
To tax list committed to him to collect for 1887,	$5,971.50
Additions to tax list,	6.00
Total,	$5,977.50
	Cr.
By payment to W. F. Trowt, Treasurer,	$4,916.86
" " of County tax,	550.70
Uncollected taxes,	509.94
Total,	$5,977.50

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

WM. F. TROWT, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance in the Treasury, Feb. 16, 1887,	$1,264.30
Received from Wellington Pool, for rent of Town Hall,	89.00

Received from Wellington Pool, for 2 cemetery lots,	$24.00
" " " for 2 town histories,	2.00
" State school fund,	210.16
" " Corporation tax,	84.94
" " National bank tax,	275.49
" " Aid, chap. 252,	151.00
" " " " 301,	280.00
" County Treasurer, for dog tax,	163.00
" W. F. Trowt, for hay scales,	28.43
" City of Lynn,	51.00
" Town of Beverly,	11.75
" P. H. Kavanagh, Collector for 1886,	223.25
" J. H. Perkins, " " 1887,	4,916.86
Total,	$7,775.18

PAYMENTS.

	Cr.
Paid Interest on Town debt,	$170.00
" " Temporary loans,	40.23
" " Cemetery fund,	25.84
State tax,	652.50
Selectmen's orders,	6,043.08
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 16, 1888,	843.53
Total,	$7,775.18

ASSESSORS' VALUATION OF PROPERTY.

Real estate,	$437,425.00
Personal estate,	106,925.00
Total,	$544,350.00

Number of polls, 267.

Tax on polls,	$534.00
Tax on real and personal estate, at $1 per $100,	5,443.50
Total,	$5,977.50

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE TOWN.

LIABILITIES.

Note due State of Massachusetts,	$2,500.00
" Estate of J. Low,	700.00
" Trustees of Cemetery Fund,	475.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Perkins, with interest to Feb. 1, 1888,	2,404 50
Estimated amount of outstanding bills,	500.00
Total,	$6,579.50

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	$843.53
Due from Henry Hobbs,	15.15
" P. H. Kavanagh,	1.00
" State, for State aid,	483.50
" Naumkeag Street Railway Co.,	17.50
" J. H. Perkins,	509.94
Total,	$1,870.62
Balance against the town, Feb. 16, 1888,	$4,708.88

In accordance with a vote of the town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses :—

Schools,	$1,400.00
School Incidentals,	150 00
Poor,	800.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Highway,	900.00
Library,	100 00
Fire Department,	200.00
Interest,	150.00
Total,	$4,700.00

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN.
} Selectmen of Wenham.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT, 1887.

MARRIAGES.

Fifteen marriage certificates were issued, and eighteen marriages recorded. Three of the couples were non-residents. Both parties of eight couples were residents; of the others two grooms and five brides were also residents. All but two were of American birth. With sixteen of the grooms and the same number of brides it was the first marriage, and the second with two of the grooms and two of the brides.

BIRTHS.

There were thirteen births, seven males and six females; eleven were of American, and two of mixed parentage.

DEATHS.

There were fourteen deaths, six males and eight females. All were of American birth. Five were born in Wenham. Five were removed to other places for interment.

Ages: One died the day of birth, one 10 months, one 28 years, one 46, one 48, one 61, one 74, one 77, one 80, two nearly 84, one 84, one 85, and one 88.

In addition to the foregoing, eight were brought to Wenham for interment.

DOGS.

Ninety-one dogs—eighty-two males and nine females—were licensed; and from the money received therefor, the sum of one hundred and ninety dollars and eighty cents ($190.80) was paid into the County Treasury.

The sum returned to the Town Treasury, was one hundred and sixty-three dollars ($163.00.)

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NAMING STREETS.

The Committee chosen at the last Annual Town Meeting, [1887]—"to take into consideration the subject of naming the streets throughout the town,"—respectfully submit their report, and recommend the adoption of the following names for the streets in the town of Wenham, viz :—

Hull street, from Grapevine street at Dodge's mill in E. W.,* to Hull street in Beverly at the line.

Grapevine street, from Larch street, near Dea. Cole's at W. N., to the Beverly (Farms) line at E. W.

Maple street, from Grapevine street (opposite the old "Rubbly-Hill-Road" in W. N.,) to the Hamilton line near Jacob Brown's.

Essex street, from Grapevine street, opposite Thompson's house, in W. N., to Essex street in Beverly at the Centreville line.

Larch street, from Main street, at the brick house in W. C., to Hamilton line near Dea. Prince's at W. N.

Dodge street, from Larch street, at "Wilkins' corner" in W. N., to Dodge street in Beverly at the line in "Dodge's Row."

Grover street, from Dodge street, in W. N., near Philip S. Young's, to Grover street in Beverly at the line.

Walnut street, from Larch street, at "Wilkins' corner" in W. N., to Hamilton line towards "Wenham Depot."

Main street, in W. C., from Hamilton line near "Wenham Depot," to Beverly line east of "Wenham Lake."

Perkins street, in W. C., from Main street at Dea. Eaton's to Porter street.

Porter street, in W. C., between Perkins and Arbor streets.

Arbor street, in W. C., from the north side of Central square at the Congregational Church, to Hamilton line towards Asbury Grove.

Central square, in W. C., at the junction of Main and Arbor streets.

Friend court, in W. C., from the south side of Central square at Trowt's store.

Cherry street, from Main street at "Herrick's corner" in W. C., to Danvers line towards Putnamville.

Cedar street, from Cherry street near George Howe's in W. C., to Bomer street, at Wesel's corner in W. W.

Pleasant street, from Cherry street at Bragg's Hollow in W. C., towards Pleasant pond.

Flint street, from Cherry street near Ira D. Batchelder's in W. W., to Bomer street near James T. Brown's.

Bomer street, in W. W., from Beverly line west of "Wenham Lake" to Topsfield line near "Wenham Causeway."

Burley street, from Cherry street at Peabody's corner in W. W., to Danvers line towards Danversport.

For the Committee,

WELLINGTON POOL, Secretary.

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*E. W., East Wenham; W. N., Wenham Neck; W. C., Wenham Centre; W. W., West Wenham.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wenham, on Monday, the fifth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To act on the annual report of the Selectmen.

Art. 3. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, to make appropriations of the same, and determine the manner of collecting.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money in anticipation of the taxes, as may be necessary to meet current expenses.

Art. 6. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? The ballots shall be "Yes" or "No."

Art. 7. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the expense of Memorial Day, under the direction of the sailors and soldiers of Wenham.

Art. 9. To see if the town will raise a sufficient sum of money to pay the State Aid for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see what action the town will take in regard to truant scholars.

ART. 11. To see what action the town will take in regard to building the road from Wilkins' Corner to the house of George P. Osgood, as laid out by the County Commissioners, and raise money for the same.

ART. 12. To see if the town will build a stage with curtain for the Hall, suitable for entertainments and dramatic performances, and appropriate money for the same, as per petition of Ivory Quinby and others.

ART. 13. To hear and act upon the report of the committee, chosen at the last Annual Town Meeting: To take into consideration the subject of naming the streets throughout the town.

ART. 14. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to replace or renew the notes soon to become due.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to repair the bridge across Miles' River near the house of the late Mrs. Abigail Pingree, and raise money for the same.

ART. 16. To see what action the town will take in regard to suppressing the sale of intoxicating liquors, and raise money for the same.

ART. 17. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the meeting-houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this sixteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN. } Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Receipts AND Expenditures

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 18, 1889.

WITH THE

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

SALEM:

PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.

1889.

REPORT.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid Jennie S. Bertwell, teaching winter term, 1887,	$97.50
" " " summer " 1888,	96.00
" " " fall " "	96.00
John K. Dodge, wood,	18.00
M. F. Preston, building fires and care of room,	3.34
B. F. Williams, care of room,	2.12
Total,	$312.96

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid Minnie J. Foster, teaching winter term, 1887,	$108.00
" " " summer " 1888,	108.00
Minnie J. Miller, " fall " "	108.00
Charles Wilkins, wood,	22.50
Mary L. Prince, building fires and care of room,	8.00
Total,	$354.50

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid Grace R. Gould, teaching winter term, 1887,	$98.00
" " " summer " 1888,	96.00
" " " fall " "	96.00
John Girdler, coal,	13.00
Wellington Pool, care of room and building fires,	19.75
Total,	$322.75

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Paid Emma L. Nason, teaching winter term, 1887,	$108.00
" " " summer " 1888,	108.00
" " " fall " "	108.00
John Girdler, coal,	39.00
L. B. Crowell, care of room,	15.20
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,	15.25
Total,	$393.45

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid J. W. Jenkins, teaching winter term, 1887,	$117.00
" " " summer " 1888,	108.00
Jennie O. Bowers, " fall " "	108.00
John Girdler, coal,	17.87
Bertha R. Standley, building fires and care of room,	5.00
C. C. Soper, cleaning room,	1.50
Joseph G. Kent, wood,	9.50
Solomon H. Clark, building fires,	10.00
Total,	$376.87

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid Little, Brown & Co., supplies,	$3.00
Jewett & Blanchard, repairs on West school-house,	5.35
Boston School Supply Co.,	48.97
John P. Conant, stock and labor on Neck school-house,	8.25
Merrill & Mackintire, supplies,	19.67
D. C. Smith, lumber for Neck school-house,	15.09
Ivory Quinby, clearing plastering in school-room,	8.00
G. H. Woodbury, labor on Neck school-house,	2.00
H. W. Dodge, stock and labor,	13.74
Elbridge Porter, labor on school-room,	3.75
Wm. W. Hinckley, funnel,	1.50
Geo. G. Creamer, repairing stove,	2.50
William Ropes, repairing stove,	7.70
F. M. Dodge, procuring books and supplies,	11.33
" " expressage for books,	1.00
" " administering oaths to committee,	.25
" " six window shades for East school,	1.74
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	1.66
Chas. F. Elliott, labor,	2.50
Cowperthwait & Co., books,	12.33
Total,	$170.33

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

WARD ONE.

JOHN K. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid John K. Dodge,	$23.70
Addison Williams,	11.90

Paid Benj. F. Burchstead,	$5.95
Daniel W. Preston,	12.00
Total,	$53.55

WARD TWO.

JOHN GENTLEE, SURVEYOR.

Paid R. F. Dodge,	$22.91
Jacob Brown,	9.52
John Gentlee,	21.69
Thomas Thompson,	24.56
Jane Johnson,	4.76
Hannah L. Peavey,	6.97
Francis S. Lovett Jr.,	7.14
Total,	$97.55

WARD THREE.

CHARLES WILKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid S. R. Prince,	$13.20
Z. Cole,	16.60
F. M. Dodge,	11.20
F. R. Edwards,	13.20
E. W. Perkins,	9.35
Nicholas Dodge,	3.40
Miss A. G. Pingree,	3.40
C. O. Killam,	10.20
W. F. Tucker,	3.40
Charles Wilkins,	22.20
Total,	$106.15

WARD FOUR.

DENNIS HARRIGAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid W. P. Dodge,	$18.50
Simeon Dodge Jr.,	18.30
I. Porter,	3.40
Dennis Harrigan,	5.95
F. R. Edwards, gravel,	5.57
Total,	$51.72

WARD FIVE.

ELBRIDGE PORTER, SURVEYOR.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh,	$14.70
Elbridge Porter,	44.90
J. L. Batchelder,	10.55
Ivory Quinby,	9.35
Abbott Johnson,	5.95
D. Harrigan,	3.40
A. Hodgdon,	8.50
E. Kavanagh,	9.35
Fred. Porter,	7.65
J. L. Williams,	6.80
J. F. Batchelder,	15.20
Estate of E. Waters,	3.30
F. E. Perkins, gravel,	6.30
Henry Patch, "	3.20
Frank Standley,	3.40
Jer. Kavanagh,	12.25
Total,	$164.80

WARD SIX.

WARREN JONES, SURVEYOR.

Paid A. Hodgdon,	$3.40
P. M. Barnes,	4.25
T. M. Barnes,	4.25
E. K. Day,	8.50
F. A. Standley,	14.05
Geo. Howe,	4.25
G. W. Jones,	3.00
Warren Jones,	5.50
Total,	$47.20

WARD SEVEN.

ELBRIDGE A. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid Joseph Kent,	$10.20
Estate of James Clark,	3.40
Everett Cook,	1.70
E. K. Standley,	5.10
I. D. Batchelder,	7.65
W. W. Goodwin,	5.95

Paid Warren Burpee,	$3.40
Elbridge A. Dodge,	34.00
John Flint,	7.90
W. B. Morgan,	2.00
N. P. Perkins,	3.90
Samuel McLaughlin,	22.50
Total,	$107.70

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid James T. Brown,	$14.80
E. L. Kimball,	9.00
J. Wesel,	9.35
P. Hanson,	6.60
A. Nickerson,	5.10
C. Stanton,	3.40
C. W. Bagley,	3.40
J. A. Wesel,	3.40
Total,	$55.05

WARD NINE.

CHARLES W. PERKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid P. Kavanagh,	$4.90
Charles W. Perkins,	6.78
E. Tinkham,	3.40
Wesley Burnham,	3.40
Charles Silver,	3.40
Patrick Welsh,	3.40
Wm. S. Cummings,	6.60
Daniel Perkins, gravel,	6.00
Total,	$37.88

SNOW DEPARTMENT.

WARD TWO.

JOHN GENTLEE, SURVEYOR.

Paid G. W. Johnson,	$ .80
Orin P. Thompson,	.40

Paid Thomas Thompson,	$2.00
John Gentlee,	2.50
Total,	$5.70

WARD FOUR.

DENNIS HARRIGAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid Dennis Harrigan,	$6.85
Wm. P. Dodge,	1.00
H. W. Porter,	.40
Simeon Dodge Jr.,	4.00
Total,	$12.25

WARD FIVE.

ELBRIDGE PORTER, SURVEYOR.

Paid Elbridge Porter,	$11.20
P. H. Kavanagh,	2.80
Fred. F. Porter,	1.60
Fred. Batchelder,	1.30
Frank Tarr,	.20
Asa Trowt,	.20
Ivory Quinby,	.20
J. F. Batchelder,	1.60
Total,	$19.10

WARD SIX.

WARREN JONES, SURVEYOR.

Paid Warren Jones,	$2.30
Frank Standley,	.70
Geo. W. Jones,	2.00
A. Hodgdon,	1.60
D. A. Homan,	3.30
Wm. Guild,	1.45
P. M. Barnes,	.60
E. D. Brown,	.60
Total,	$12.55

WARD SEVEN.

E. A. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid John Moulton,	$1.70
Fred. Roberts,	1.90

Paid N. P. Perkins,				$1.12
Luther Batchelder,				5.00
Henry Burpee,				.70
S. E. Kimball,				1.15
J. G. Kent,				1.50
Geo. W. Peabody,				1.00
Geo. W. Peabody Jr.,				.70
Everett Cook,				.70
E. A. Dodge,				8.00
Solomon Clark,				.80
J. H. Flint,				.60
Total,				$24.87

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid James T. Brown,				$2.20
Edward L. Kimball,				.79
Parker Hanson,				.30
Total,				$3.29

WARD NINE.

CHARLES W. PERKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid Charles W. Perkins,				$ .60

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid James T. Brown, labor in	Ward		8,	$3.57
Joseph Wesel,	"	"	8,	.68
Joseph A. Wesel,	"	"	8,	.68
E. L. Kimball,	"	"	8,	.43
E. A. Dodge,	"	"	7,	5.10
C. Bagley,	"	"	7,	1.70
E. K. Standley,	"	"	7,	4.90
D. P. Towne, gravel,		"	7,	1.65
T. Thompson,	"	"	2 and 3,	5.27
Joseph Martin,	"	"	7,	4.41
G. W. Johnson,	"	"	3,	.65
F. A. Johnson,	"	"	3,	1.36
Mrs. H. L. Peavey,	"	"	2 and 3,	2.06
E. W. Perkins,	"	"	3,	4.37
C. W. Perkins,	"	"	9,	14.15

Paid R. F. Dodge,	labor in Ward 2,	$8.18
Jacob Brown,	" " 2,	6.97
Cyrus Tuttle,	" " 2,	.85
John Gentlee,	" " 2 and 3,	26.10
" "	bridges in " "	11.31
Warren Burpee,	labor in " 8,	1.70
John I. Durgin,	bridges in " 3, 5 and 6,	3.40
" "	labor on road,	.85
Charles Wilkins,	labor in Ward 3,	30.42
F. M. Dodge,	" " 3,	7.48
W. T. Tucker,	" " 3,	1.70
A. Nickerson,	" " 8,	2.25
E. Porter,	" " 5,	62.37
J. L. Batchelder,	" " 5,	5.74
Fred. Porter,	" " 5,	5.94
Dennis Harrigan,	" " 5,	1.70
Ivory Quinby,	" " 5,	1.70
J. F. Batchelder,	" " 5,	3.40
A. Hodgdon,	" " 5,	1.70
S. E. Evans,	" " 5 and 6,	16.66
Warren Jones,	" " "	7.12
E. D. Brown,	labor in Ward 6,	1.02
D. A. Homan,	" " 6,	1.53
G. W. Jones,	" " 6,	1.53
J. Kavanagh,	" " 5,	4.41
John Kavanagh,	" " 5,	1.53
Jos. B. Woodman,	" " 5,	.50
Geo. Howe,	" " 6,	.68
J. E. Kavanagh,	" " 5,	3.38
Total,		$273.14

Paid E. Lawrence, labor on Walnut st., as per contract, $295.00

POOR DEPARTMENT.

VIENNA J. HOYT.

Paid Vienna J. Hoyt, cash, $20.00

JOHN A. HOYT.

Paid John A. Hoyt, cash,	$12.00
James H. Perkins, Jr., supplies,	6.35
Dr. F. A. Cowles, medical attendance,	1.25
Total,	$19.60

ELVIRA M. DODGE.

Paid Town of Hatfield, supplies,	$84.79

GEORGE W. BABCOCK.

Paid Town of Wakefield, supplies,	$38.65
City of Malden, supplies,	100.60
Total,	$139.25

GEORGE W. CHANNEL.

Paid Geo. W. Channel, supplies,	$12.00

FAMILY OF RICHARD BURNHAM.

Paid H. F. Batchelder, medical attendance,	$35.00
D. Richards & Son, supplies,	82.35
Wm. B. Morgan, wood,	3.50
C. H. Warren, coal,	22.00
Total,	$142.85

IVORY DAY.

Paid H. P. Woodbury, supplies,	$93.10

MARY L. TUTTLE.

Paid Charles M. Goodwin, board,	$16.00
Town of Middleton, supplies,	15.00
Total,	$31.00

LUCY A. STRAVIS.

Paid M. E. Breed, to enter Old Ladies' Home,	$25.00
City of Lynn, supplies,	18.00
Lynn Home for Aged Women,	54.00
Total,	$97.00

KIMBALL H. DREW.

Paid John Mildram, board,	$9.00
James H. Perkins, Jr., supplies,	5.22
Total,	$14.22

EDWIN PLAISTED.

Paid City of Salem, supplies,	$48.13

LOCK-UP AND TRAMPS.

Paid	G. G. Creamer, funnel,	$5.30
	G. H. Woodbury, labor and stock,	4.00
	H. A. Larrabee, making and washing bed-ticks,	5.00
	D. A. Homan, cleaning room and filling beds,	1.30
	D. A. Homan, pay for care of tramps,	38.00
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	19.70
	Henry Tarr, wood and straw,	7.00
	Total,	$80.30

Number of tramps for one year, 397.

TOWN HOUSE AND HALL.

Paid	Putnam & Pope, lumber for the stage,	$10.75
	Frank Cousins, goods for the stage,	14.13
	C. C. Redmond, painting the curtain,	36.00
	Merrill & Mackintire, goods,	5.45
	Chas. F. Elliott, labor,	31.45
	H. W. Dodge, stock and labor,	18.20
	Chas. W. Perkins, wood,	3.00
	Ivory Quinby, labor on roof,	95.00
	John Girdler, coal,	23.00
	Jason Clark, repairs on settees, etc.,	1.50
	Geo. Roundy, lumber,	63.92
	Wm. W. Hinckley, funnel and labor,	4.00
	Wellington Pool, care of town-room and hall,	61.30
	P. H. Kavanagh, wood,	2.50
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	13.29
	H. H. Demsey, irons for stage and steps,	5.25
	Total,	$388.74

PARK AND COMMON.

Paid	Wellington Pool, labor,	$12.52
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, fertilizer,	1.00
	Total,	$13.52

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid John Girdler, coal,	$16.00
Geo. W. Johnson, watching fire at C. Tuttle's,	4.00
A. S. Jackson, hose,	52.25
Enon Engine Co., 40 members,	80.00
O. E. McQueeny, repairs,	1.50
Simeon Dodge, Jr., two journeys to Boston,	3.50
Abbott Johnson, labor on engine,	.60
Henry Tarr, labor on engine,	1.58
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	5.64
Total,	$165.07

LIBRARY.

Paid Dewolfe, Fiske & Co., books,	$96.17
Lambert Jackson, binding books,	3.60
Horton & Son, printing,	2.25
Abbott Johnson, cash,	10.00
Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books,	25.75
Wellington Pool, care of room,	1.00
Abbott Johnson, services as librarian,	10.00
Total,	$148.77

CEMETERY.

Paid Wellington Pool, labor,	$ .90

INCIDENTALS.

Paid Ivory Quinby, filing saws,	$ .50
Dr. S. E. Thayer, returning births,	1.25
B. C. Conant, care of Town Clock,	20.00
Little, Brown & Co., "Town Officer,"	3.00
A. A. Fiske, insurance on Town House,	112.50
C. H. Abbott, removing and building snow fence,	6.00
Foote & Horton, printing Town and School Report,	55.47
Abbott Johnson, trimming trees for Street Railway,	3.00
Jos. M. Parsons, drain pipe,	92.35

Paid James H. Perkins, Jr., supplies for town room,	$ .45
Hiram Doane, repairs on pump,	1.50
Horton & Son, printing tax bills and notices,	6.13
Chas. W. Perkins, laying drain pipe,	3.75
G. A. Collins, two police badges,	5.00
John Gentlee, teaming drain pipe,	19.56
" " two guide posts,	2.00
" " setting 2 posts and putting up 8 boards,	3.00
" " cash for license blanks,	.50
" " laying drain pipe,	14.18
Wellington Pool, cash for expressage,	2.75
" " administering oaths,	3.85
" " posting notices for Registrars,	1.00
" " journey to Salem on account of dog tax,	1.00
Wellington Pool, preparing cemetery deeds,	4.50
Dr. Charles Haddock, returning births,	50
Abbott Johnson, services as Moderator,	2.00
Dr. F. A. Cowles, returning births,	2.50
Elbridge W. Perkins, oil and care of lanterns 18 nights,	2.00
P. H. Kavanagh, for cash book,	1.87
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	1.30
Charles F. Elliott, labor on heater and privy,	1.42
Merrill & Mackintire, stationery and tax book,	3.60
Total,	$378.43

TOWN OFFICERS.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Elbridge Porter, 13 days' services,	$26.00
" " taking account of school children,	4.00
Elbridge K. Standley, services for one year,	20.00
F. M. Dodge, " " " "	53.00
Total,	$103.00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Pool, services for one year,	$20.00
" " journey to Ipswich to return vote for representative,	2.00
Wellington Pool, returning deaths as undertaker, for record,	7.25

Paid Wellington Pool, returning births, marriages and deaths, and returning the same to the Secretary of State,	13.90
Wellington Pool, recording 15 marriages,	2.25
" " postage and stationery,	2.19
Wellington Pool, to arranging, filing, etc., returns of births, marriages and deaths, in conformity with chap. 202 of the acts of the legislature of 1887,	5.00
Total,	$52.59

CONSTABLE AND POLICE.

Paid Michael Buckley, services for one year,	$2.00
Henry Alley, " " "	9.50
H. H. Demsey, services for 1886, 1887, 1888,	3.50
Total,	$15.00

REGISTRARS.

Paid John Gentlee, 2 days' services,	$4.00
John I. Durgin, " "	4.00
James T. Brown, " "	4.00
Wellington Pool, " "	4.00
Total,	$16.00

SELECTMEN.

Paid John Gentlee, 23 days' services,	$39.10
" " 9 journeys out of town,	12.00
" " conducting correspondence and preparing returns,	15.00
John I. Durgin, 20 days' services,	34.00
James T. Brown, 17 " "	28.90
Total,	$129.00

ASSESSORS.

Paid John Gentlee, 11 days' services,	$22.00
" " one evening session,	1.00
" " two journeys to Boston on acount of bank tax,	6.00
John Gentlee, making 3 list of poll-tax payers, and posting same,	3.00

Paid John I. Durgin, 9 days' services,	18.00
" " one evening session,	1.00
James T. Brown, 7 days' services,	14.00
" " one evening session,	1.00
Total,	$66.00

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid John Gentlee, services for one year,	$10.00
" " 6 journeys out of town,	9.05
John I. Durgin, services for one year,	6.00
" " 1 journey out of town,	1.00
James T. Brown, services for one year,	6.00
" " 1 journey out of town,	1.00
Total,	$33.05

TREASURER.

Paid Wm. F. Trowt, services for one year,	$50.00

COLLECTOR.

Paid James H. Perkins, salary for 1887,	$33.00
" " postage and stationery,	4.75
P. H. Kavanagh, part salary 1888,	45.00
Total,	$82.75

STATE AID.

Paid Mary P. Merrill, under Acts of 1879, Chap. 301,	$48.00
Edward A Monies, " " " "	54.00
Sarah E. Monies, " " " "	48.00
John A. Hoyt, " " " "	48.00
Vienna J. Hoyt, " " " "	48.00
Warren Larrabee, " " " "	48.00
Harriet Larrabee, " " " "	48.00
Joesph B. Woodman, " " " "	32.00
Cyrus Tuttle, " " " "	40.00
Kimball H. Drew, " " " 252,	144.00
Thomas H. Clark, " " " "	120.00
Edward Plaisted, " " " "	72.00
Total,	$750.00

ABATEMENTS.

Charles W. Bagley,	one poll,	1887,		$2.00
Howard B. Catheren,	"	"		2.00
Chester Cook,	"	"		2.00
Horace W. Dodge,	"	"		2.00
Ernest Duncan,	"	"		2.00
John W. Dawson,	"	"		2.00
Harris Elliott,	"	"		2.00
James Goodrich,	"	"		2.00
Wm. Hall,	"	"		2.00
Charles H. Hobbs,	"	"		2.00
Edward C. Hall,	"	"	and personal,	2.50
Augustus Hutchinson,	"	"		2.00
John H. Hunkins,	"	"		2.00
Abbott W. Johnson,	"	"		2.00
Geo. E. Johnson,	"	"		2.00
Theodore Jones,	"	"		2.00
Geo. W. Knowlton,	"	"	and personal,	2.50
Sylvester Kent,	"	"		2.00
John Lear,	"	"	"	3.00
Warren Larrabee,	"	"		2.00
John Mildram,	"	"		2.00
Alden Mildram,	"	"	"	2.50
Frank H. Martin,	"	"		2.00
Samuel Norcross,	"	"	"	2.25
Samuel A. Porter,	"	"		2.00
Livermore D. Riggs,	"	"		2.00
Charles T. Smith,	"	"		2.00
John W. Tinkham,	"	"		2.00
Smith Tinkham,	"	"		2.00
Joseph A. Wesel,	"	"		2.00
James Woodbury,	"	"		2.00
Alonzo Young,	"	"		2.00
Rufus Putnam, too much real,	"			.25
Edward W. Jacobs, real, not liable,		1887,		.50
Ruth Batchelder, too much personal,		1888,		5.20
Amanda Young, real, not liable,			"	7.54
Fred A. Roundy, too much real,			"	.37
Perry Collier,	"	"	"	3.00
Amos F. Hobbs, error, 1888,				.06
Total,				$83.67

SUMMARY OF TOWN EXPENSES.

Schools,	$1,760.53
School Incidentals,	170.33
Highway Wards,	721.50
Clearing Snow,	78.36
Extra Highway,	273.14
Poor,	701.94
Lock-up and Tramps,	80.30
Town House and Hall,	388.74
Park and Common,	13.52
Fire Department,	165.07
Library,	148.77
Cemetery,	.90
Incidentals,	378.43
Walnut Street,	295.00
Town Officers,	547.39
State Aid,	750.00
Abatements,	83.67
Total,	$6,557.59

COLLECTORS' ACCOUNTS.

JAMES H. PERKINS, COLLECTOR FOR 1887, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance due on tax list for 1887,	$509.94
	Cr.
By payment to W. F. Trowt, Treasurer,	$495.25
Uncollected taxes,	14.69
Total,	$509.94

P. H. KAVANAGH, COLLECTOR FOR 1888, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
To tax list committed to him to collect for 1888,	$6,179.64
Additions to tax list,	9.37
Due on tax list of 1886,	1.00
Total,	$6,190.01

	Cr.
By payment to W. F. Trowt, Treasurer,	$6,003.26
Uncollected taxes,	186.75
Total,	$6,190.01

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

WM. F. TROWT, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance in the Treasury, Feb. 16, 1888,	$843.53
Received from Wellington Pool, for rent of Town Hall,	124.50
" " " for cemetery lots,	101.00
" " " for 3 town histories,	3.00
" State school fund,	287.07
" " Corporation tax,	74.88
" " National bank tax,	269.48
" " State Aid, chap. 252,	155.00
" " " " " 301,	329.00
" County Treasurer, for dog tax,	148.50
" Druggist license,	1.00
" Naumkeag Street Railway Co.,	26.50
" Oleomargarine license,	.50
" W. F. Trowt, for hay scales,	25.85
" Henry Hobbs, Collector for 1884,	15.15
" James H. Perkins, " 1887,	495.25
" P. H. Kavanagh, " 1888,	6,003.26
Total,	$8,903.47

PAYMENTS.

	Cr.
Paid Interest on Town debt,	$141.25
" Temporary loans,	57.03
" Cemetery fund,	16.96
State tax,	652.50
County tax,	550.70
One-quarter of druggists' license,	.25
Selectmen's orders,	6,557.59
Balance in Treasury, Feb. 18, 1889,	927.19
Total,	$8,903.47

ASSESSORS' VALUATION OF PROPERTY.

Real estate,	$440,325.00
Personal estate,	102,850.00
Total,	$543,175.00
Number of polls, 270.	
Tax on polls,	$540.00
Tax on real and personal estate at $1.04 per $100,	5,649.01
Total,	$6,189.01

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE TOWN.

LIABILITIES.

Note due State of Massachusetts,	$2,500.00
" Estate of J. Low,	700.00
" Trustees of Cemetery Fund,	475.00
" Legacy of Mrs. Mary Perkins, with interest to Feb. 1, 1889,	2,524.72
Estimated amount of outstanding bills,	500.00
Total,	$6,699.72

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	$927.19
Due from James H. Perkins,	14.69
" P. H. Kavanagh,	186.75
" State, for State Aid,	582.00
Total,	$1,710.63
Balance against the Town, Feb. 18, 1889,	$4,989.09

In accordance with a vote of the town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses:—

Schools,	$1,400.00
School Incidentals,	150.00
Poor,	800.00

Incidentals,	$1,000.00
Highway,	900.00
Library,	100.00
Fire Department,	175.00
Interest,	175.00
Total,	$4,700.00

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT, 1888.

MARRIAGES.

Ten marriage certificates were issued, and 15 marriages recorded. Five of the couples were non-residents. Both parties of 4 couples were residents; of the others 3 of the grooms, and 3 of the brides were also residents. All but 4 were of American birth. With all but one of the grooms and one of the brides, it was the first marriage; with one of the grooms and one of the brides it was the second.

BIRTHS.

There were 18 births, 6 males and 12 females.

DEATHS.

There were 22 deaths, 12 males and 10 females. All but one were of American birth. Seven were born in Wenham. Eleven were removed to other places for interment.

Ages: One was still-born, one was one day, one nearly 9 months, one 11 years, one 19, one nearly 21, one 31, one 36, one 39, one 57, one about 71, one nearly 75, one 75, one nearly 77, one 78, two were 80, one 83, one 84, one nearly 86, one 88, and one 91.

In addition to the foregoing, seven were brought to Wenham for interment.

DOGS.

Ninety-two dogs—eighty-five males and seven females—were licensed; and from the money received therefor, the sum of one hundred and eighty-six dollars and sixty cents ($186.60) was paid into the County Treasury.

The sum returned to the Town Treasury was one hundred and forty-eight dollars and fifty cents ($148.50.)

NAMES OF STREETS.

The following changes in the names of streets, as printed in the report of the committee—on pages 25 and 26, of the Annual Report of last year—were made by vote of the town at the last annual meeting, viz: The westerly portion of Cherry street—from the intersection of Bomer street in West Wenham to the Danvers line toward Putnamville—was changed to Maple street; and Maple street in Wenham Neck as contained in said report was changed to Chebacco street.

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

Essex ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, and who have been duly registered as voters in said town, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Wenham, on Monday, the fourth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To act on the annual report of the Selectmen.

Art. 3. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, and make appropriation of the same, and determine the manner of collecting.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money in anticipation of the taxes, as may be necessary to meet current expenses.

Art. 6. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? The ballots shall be "Yes" or "No."

Art. 7. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the expenses of Memorial Day, under the direction of the sailors and soldiers of Wenham.

Art. 9. To see if the town will raise a sufficient sum of money to pay the State Aid for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see what action the town will take in regard to truant scholars, and truant school.

Art. 11. To see what action the town will take in regard to the fence around the common.

Art. 12. To see if the town will repair the sidewalk on Main street, and build a sidewalk from H. H. Demsey's shop to the Brick House and raise money for the same.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to lower the grade of the road at "old Barn Hill" so called, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 14. To see if the town will enact a code of by-laws.

ART. 15. To see what action the town will take in regard to a petition of Burnham Brothers and others to the Selectmen to repair Essex street.

ART. 16. To hear the report of the committee on street lamps and act thereon, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to lay a new floor in the Town Hall and raise or appropriate money for the same.

ART. 18. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the public meeting-houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this nineteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

JOHN GENTLEE,
JOHN I. DURGIN,
JAMES T. BROWN,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Receipts AND Expenditures

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 18, 1890.

WITH THE

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1890.

REPORT.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

EAST SCHOOL.

Paid Jennie S. Bertwell, teaching	winter term, 1888,	$96.00
" " "	summer " 1889,	96.00
" " "	fall " "	108.00
John K. Dodge, wood,		18.75
Florence M. Stillman, building fires and care of room,		5.25
Total,		$324.00

NECK SCHOOL.

Paid Minnie J. Miller, teaching	winter term, 1888,	$108.00
" " "	summer " 1889,	108.00
" " "	fall " "	108.00
Charles Wilkins, wood,		18.00
Mary L. Prince, building fires and care of room,		10.00
Total,		$352.00

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Paid Grace R. Gould, teaching	winter term, 1888,	$96.00
" " "	summer " 1889,	96.00
" " "	fall " "	96.00
John Girdler, coal,		18.50
Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,		20.60
Total,		$327.10

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Paid Emma L. Nason, teaching	winter term, 1888,	$108.00
" " "	summer " 1889,	108.00
" " "	fall " "	108.00

Paid	John Girdler, coal,	$43.00
	Lucy P. Crowell, care of room,	10.00
	Wellington Pool, building fires and care of room,	15.00
	Total,	$392.00

WEST SCHOOL.

Paid	Jennie O. Bowers, teaching winter term, 1888,	$120.00
	" " " summer " 1889,	108.00
	" " " fall " "	108.00
	John Sears, wood,	2.00
	John Girdler, coal,	16.00
	H. N. Burpee, wood,	7.00
	Judeth H. Clark, care of room,	1.63
	Total,	$362.63

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid	Ivory Quinby, stock and labor on school-houses,	$39.02
	Boston School Supply Co.,	38.39
	George G. Creamer, repairing stove,	2.50
	N. S. Perkins, cash paid for repairing, and sawing wood,	3.50
	Merrill & Mackintire, supplies,	12.71
	H. N. Burpee, setting glass at West school,	.50
	William Ware & Co., books,	33.05
	Harper & Brothers, books,	4.05
	Grace R. Gould, book for desk,	1.00
	Jennie S. Bertwell, school supplies,	1.26
	Isaac Porter, labor on school-house,	1.00
	Wm. B. Morgan, labor and stock for West school house,	5.79
	A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	6.01
	Mrs. Soper, cleaning school-room,	1.00
	F. M. Dodge, procuring books and supplies,	16.36
	Warren P. Adams, supplies,	6.25
	Total,	$172.39

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

WARD ONE.

JOHN K. DODGE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	John K. Dodge,	$29.07
	Lewis Kelham,	2.72
	Addison Williams,	11.05
	Benj. Burchstead,	7.21
	Philip Morrill,	4.59
	Daniel W. Preston,	10.54
	Total,	$65.18

WARD TWO.

JOHN GENTLEE, SURVEYOR.

Paid	John Gentlee,	$34.52
	R. F. Dodge,	27.91
	Jacob Brown,	14.28
	Charles T. Brown,	9.69
	Thomas Thompson,	30.26
	F. S. Lovett,	9.86
	Jane Johnson,	7.99
	H. L. Peavy,	6.12
	Charles O. Killam,	4.25
	Cyrus Tuttle,	.85
	Total,	$145.73

WARD THREE.

JOHN P. CONANT, SURVEYOR.

Paid	W. T. Tucker,	$1.36
	A. Young,	2.55
	Nicholas Dodge,	2.21
	S. R. Prince,	9.35
	Zachariah Cole,	9.96
	F. M. Dodge,	6.04
	David Pingree,	1.53

Paid E. W. Perkins,	$7.48
Charles Wilkins,	9.85
John P. Conant,	5.10
C. O. Killam,	5.10
Wm. T. Tucker Jr.,	2.21
F. R. Edwards,	11.20
Total,	$73.94

WARD FOUR.

Wm. P. Dodge, Surveyor.

Paid Geo. F. Dodge,	$16.80
Wm. P. Dodge,	21.64
Simeon Dodge Jr.,	17.15
F. R. Edwards,	6.72
Total,	$62.31

WARD FIVE.

Elbridge Porter, Surveyor.

Paid P. H. Kavanagh,	$25.77
J. Kavanagh,	8.33
Elbridge Porter,	27.97
J. F. Batchelder,	24.91
J. L. Batchelder,	3.74
M. Sullivan,	12.74
Smith Tinkham,	11.56
N. S. Railroad,	4.70
E. Kavanagh,	2.04
Harry Monies,	2.04
Geo. Homan,	2.89
E. Tinkham,	12.41
Henry Patch,	2.89
Daniel Brewer,	7.99
Jason Williams,	9.86
Dennis Harrigan,	6.12
Frank Stanley,	22.70

Paid Henry Tarr,	$9.01
Asa W. Trowt,	9.86
Total,	$207.53

WARD SIX.

DANIEL A. HOMAN, SURVEYOR.

Paid Frank A. Stanley,	$16.20
John A. Hoyt,	.34
Geo. A. Langley,	8.50
Sargent Knowlton,	1.70
George Jones,	10.88
Harry Monies,	3.91
Warren Jones,	4.25
George Homan,	2.55
D. A. Homan,	5.44
Adariel Hodgdon,	1.70
Total,	$55.47

WARD SEVEN.

OTIS P. ALLEY, SURVEYOR.

Paid Luther Batchelder,	$10.54
Samuel S. Cook,	14.25
Harvey Pierce,	8.67
Harvey S. Cook,	1.70
Elbridge A Dodge,	12.75
W. W. Goodwin,	6.46
Mrs. Mary M. Clark,	11.90
Ira D. Batchelder,	7.65
N. P. Perkins,	13.05
Joseph G. Kent,	11.39
J. W. L. Moulton,	4.90
E. K. Stanley,	15.59
John Flint,	4.20

Paid Dudley Towne,	$10.75
Otis Alley,	11.05
Total,	$144.85

WARD EIGHT.

JAMES T. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

Paid E. L. Kimball,	$11.20
Bowman Nickerson,	3.40
Joseph Wesel,	3.00
Joseph A. Wesel,	3.40
James T. Brown,	17.80
C. H. Stanton,	3.40
Warren Burpee,	3.40
C. Hanson,	1.70
E. A. Dodge,	3.40
Total,	$50.70

WARD NINE.

CHARLES W. PERKINS, SURVEYOR.

Paid W. S. Cummings,	$7.35
M. Sullivan,	4.90
Charles W. Perkins,	10.65
Daniel P. Brewer,	2.55
Wesley Burnham,	1.70
E. Tinkham,	1.70
S. Tinkham,	2.55
Henry Logan,	2.55
A. W. Dodge,	1.45
D. E. Homan,	1.70
W. Brown,	2.55
Daniel Perkins,	6.10
Total,	$45.75

SNOW DEPARTMENT.

WARD THREE.

CHARLES WILKINS, SURVEYOR, 1888.

Paid S. R. Prince,	$1.80
F. M. Dodge,	1.80
Charles Wilkins,	2.40
Wm. Tucker,	.75
John Curtis,	.75
Charles O. Killam,	1.50
F. R. Edwards,	.60
E. Perkins,	.35
John P. Conant,	1.20
Total,	$11.15

WARD FOUR.

DENNIS HARRIGAN, SURVEYOR, 1888.

Paid Wm. P. Dodge,	$2.20

WARD FIVE.

ELBRIDGE PORTER, SURVEYOR, 1889.

Paid Elbridge Porter,	$9.00
P. H. Kavanagh,	.60
Total,	$9.60

EXTRA HIGHWAY.

Paid John Gentlee, labor on Barn Hill,	$39.15
" " use of drills, Barn Hill,	3.00
George W. Johnson, labor on "	6.80
Frank T. Johnson, " "	14.88
Wm. S. Cummings, labor in Ward 7,	21.30
James T. Brown, " " 7,	17.05
M. Sullivan, " " 7,	19.80
Edward L. Kimball, " " 7,	18.46
E. H. Stanley, " " 7,	14.70

Paid E. A. Dodge,	labor in Ward 7,	$17.00
Warren Burpee,	" " 7,	5.10
Joseph A. Wesel,	" " 7,	3.40
Charles H. Stanton,	" " 7,	5.10
E. Tinkham,	" " 7,	5.10
John Flint,	gravel in " 7,	11.50
Otis Alley,	labor in " 7,	6.46
S. S. Cook,	" " 7,	2.90
Total,		$211.70

Paid John Gentlee,	labor in Wards 2 and 3,	$34.27
Z. Cole,	" " 2 " 3,	18.38
S. R. Prince,	" " 2 " 3,	18.37
Jacob Brown,	" " 2 " 3,	19.20
Thomas Thompson,	" " 2 " 3,	15.30
Francis S. Lovett Jr.	" " 2 " 3,	10.54
Charles O. Killam,	" " 2 " 3,	13.60
George W. Johnson,	" " 2 " 3,	6.38
Wm. S. Cummings,	" " 2 " 3,	15.77
E. Tinkham,	" " 2 " 3,	6.12
J. E. Kavanagh,	" " 2 " 3,	1.70
Daniel Brewer,	" " 2 " 3,	6.12
Frank T. Johnson,	" " 2 " 3,	4.68
O. P. Thompson,	" " 2 " 3,	6.38
Sam'l E. McGlauflin,	" " 2 " 3, road machine,	15.00
Charles Wilkins,	" " 2 " 3,	6.00
John W. Curtis,	" " 2 " 3,	1.36
Total,		$199.17

Paid George W. Jones,	labor in Ward 6,	$1.70
M. Sullivan,	" " 6,	1.70
Frank A. Stanley,	" " 6,	.85
Charles Homan,	" " 6,	.85
Daniel A. Homan,	" " 6,	2.55

Paid James T. Brown,	gravel	Ward 6,	$1.15
Wm. S. Cummings,	labor	" 5,	14.61
Elbridge Porter,	"	" 5,	37.34
P. H. Kavanagh,	"	" 5,	16.92
Daniel E. Homan,	"	" 5,	6.00
Jason Williams,	"	" 5,	1.70
J. F. Batchelder,	"	" 5,	9.24
George W. Jones,	"	" 5,	4.59
Charles Homan,	"	" 5,	1.53
Fred Porter,	"	" 5,	6.74
A. W. Trowt,	"	" 5,	.68
F. M. Dodge,	"	" 3,	5.00
E. Tinkham,	"	" 5,	1.53
Dennis Harrigan,	"	" 5,	1.75
F. R. Edwards,	gravel	" 5,	2.00
J. T. Brown,	"	" 5,	1.60
Total,			$120.03

POOR DEPARTMENT.

ELVIRA M. DODGE.

Paid Town of Hatfield, supplies,	$84.25

FAMILY OF RICHARD BURNHAM.

Paid Wm. B. Morgan,	$3.00
Daniel Richards & Son,	77.11
J. M. Rollins, supplies,	6.00
Charles Field, "	1.79
E. P. Ferguson, "	1.04
E. A. Dodge, board of child,	85.00
Geo. A. Waitt, funeral expenses of Mary E. Randall,	20.00
C. H. Warren, coal,	6.75
Dr. H. F. Batchelder, medical attendance,	27.00
Lore & Russell, coal,	6.25
Total,	$233.94

GEORGE W. BABCOCK.

Paid Town of Wakefield, supplies, 1887,	$121.25
City of Malden, supplies, 1888 and 1889,	70.20
Town of Melrose, " 1889,	260.67
Total,	$452.12

MARY L. TUTTLE.

Paid City of Salem, supplies,	$60.00
A. T. Roberts, clothing for Charles O. Tuttle,	19.35
Total,	$79.35

EDWIN PLAISTED.

Paid City of Salem, supplies,	$31.50

JAMES E. PERRY.

Paid City of Salem, supplies,	$1.75

GEORGE W. CHANNEL.

Paid James H. Perkins Jr., supplies,	$6.15
Dreyfus & Co.,	11.00
Total,	$17.15

LUCY A. STRAVIS.

Paid Lynn Home for Aged Women,	$72.00

VIENNA J. HOYT.

Paid Vienna J. Hoyt, cash,	$5.00

JOHN A. HOYT.

Paid cash for clothing,	$7.00

IVORY DAY.

Paid H. P. Woodbury, supplies,	$103.17

CHARLES T. SMITH.

Paid Wellington Pool, attending funeral and removing remains to Beverly,	$3.25

MARY RANDALL.

Paid Wellington Pool,	$2.50

LOCK-UP AND TRAMPS.

Paid Daniel A. Homan,	$40.00
Daniel E. Homan, stove,	2.00
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	16.46
Total,	$58.46

Number of tramps for one year, 493.

TOWN HOUSE AND HALL.

Paid Ivory Quinby, labor on stage,	$20.00
" " curtains for hall,	5.42
" " wire netting for windows, and setting glass,	8.09
Charles W. Perkins, wood,	6.00
John Girdler, coal,	32.65
Wellington Pool, care of town-room and hall,	43.05
Wm. S. Cummings, wood,	3.00
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	10.90
Ivory Quinby, labor and stock,	12.87
Jason Clark, labor,	2.00
Total,	$143.98

PARK AND COMMON.

Paid Wellington Pool, labor,	$8.69

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid George Litchfield, expressing,	$ .55
John Girdler, coal,	14.00
Enon Engine Co., forty members,	80.00
A. M. Harrigan, services as steward,	10.00
Frank A Stanley, services at Ober fire,	.60
James H. Perkins Jr., supplies,	5.85
Willis W. Page, watching fire at Ober place,	1.60
Daniel A. Homan, " " "	1.60
F. F. Porter, " " "	.60
" " wood, and cutting the same, setting glass, oil,	2.65
Owen E. McQueeny, repairs on engine and buckets,	2.80
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	3.12
Total,	$123.37

LIBRARY.

Paid Ivory Quinby, book-case,	$4.00
George M. Woodwell, journey to Boston and expenses,	5.58
DeWolfe, Fisk & Co., books,	82.88
Merrill & Mackintire,	.85
Foote & Horton, printing,	11.00
Lambert Jackson, binding 18 books,	4.50
Wellington Pool, sweeping,	1.15
Total,	$109.96

INCIDENTALS.

Paid B. C. Conant, care of town clock,	$20.00
George Litchfield, expressing,	1.20
Merrill & Mackintire, supplies,	3.36
C. H. Abbott, removing snow fence,	4.00
Foote & Horton, printing town and school reports and tax bills,	60.70

Paid Elbridge Porter, cash for Memorial Day and setting gravestones,	$8.25
Craig & Tucker, safe,	75.00
Wellington Pool, administering oaths,	3.50
" " making and recording eight cemetery deeds,	4.00
Wellington Pool, cash paid for expressage,	2.20
" " " " dog licenses,	1.50
" " " " two dusters,	1.25
" " " " locks and keys,	.65
" " returning deaths as undertaker,	5.00
" " cash paid for tally sheets for elections,	1.00
Wellington Pool, removing safe,	.75
" " cash paid for patent binder for town and school reports,	1.00
John Gentlee, teaming drain pipe and laying the same,	6.26
Daniel E. Homan, repairing under-pinning of town pump,	1.00
Wm. S. Cummings, building snow fence,	4.00
" " teaming drain pipe,	.75
James T. Brown, " "	1.00
" " guide post and setting,	1.00
Joseph M. Parsons, drain pipe,	24.02
A. D. & W. F. Trowt, supplies,	1.75
Ivory Quinby, labor on door at tomb,	.50
" " one-half day moving safes,	1.00
Boston & Maine Railroad Co., freight,	2.90
H. H. Demsey, for door posts, railing, and sharpening drills,	6.82
Whitcomb & Carter, powder, fuse and dynamite,	5.61
National Assessment Bureau,	2.50
Charles F. Dudley,	9.40
Total,	$261.87

TOWN OFFICERS.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Elbridge Porter, services one year,	$24.00
" " taking account of school children,	4.00
N. P. Perkins, services one year,	23.00
F. M. Dodge, " "	56.00
Total,	$107.00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Wellington Pool, services for one year,	$20.00
" " journey to Ipswich to return vote for representative,	2.00
Wellington Pool, postage and stationery,	2.35
" " returning births, marriages and deaths, and returning the same to the Secretary of State,	13.70
Total,	$38.05

CONSTABLE AND POLICE.

Paid H. H. Demsey, services for one year,	$4.50
Henry Alley, " " "	8.25
Total,	$12.75

ELECTION OFFICERS.

Paid Simeon Dodge Jr., 1 1-2days,	$2.55
Henry A. Moulton, 1 day,	1.70
Josiah B. Brown, 1 1-2 days,	2.55
Zachariah Cole, 1-2 day,	.85
Abbott Johnson, moderator and election officer,	3.85
P. H. Kavanagh, 1-2 day,	1.00
Total,	$12.50

REGISTRARS.

Paid John Gentlee, services 3 days,	$6.00
James T. Brown, " "	6.00
Wm. S. Cummings, services 2 days,	4.00
Wellington Pool, " 3 "	6.00
John I. Durgin, " 1-2 day,	1.00
Wellington Pool, posting notices for 2 meetings,	2.00
Total,	$25.00

SELECTMEN.

Paid John I. Durgin, services one day,	$1.70
John Gentlee, 23 days' services,	39.10
" " 8 journeys out of town,	13.00
" " conducting correspondence and preparing return,	15.00
James T. Brown, 16 days' services,	27.20
Wm. S. Cummings, services 13 1-2 days,	22.95
" " 3 journeys out of town,	5.00
Total,	$123.95

ASSESSORS.

Paid John Gentlee, 12 days' services,	$24.00
" " journey to Boston on account of bank tax,	3.00
John Gentlee, for making 3 lists of poll-tax payers and posting the same,	4.00
James T. Brown, 7 days' services,	14.00
" " afternoon and evening session,	2.00
Wm. S. Cummings, 6 1-2 days' services,	13.00
John Gentlee, copying the estimate,	10.00
Total,	$70.00

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid John Gentlee, services one year,	$10.00
" " 5 journeys out of town,	10.00

Paid James T. Brown, services one year,	$6.00
" " journey out of town,	1.00
Wm. S. Cummings, services one year,	6.00
" " 2 journeys out of town,	2.00
" " supplies for a boy,	1.00
Total,	$36.00

TREASURER.

Paid William F. Trowt, services one year,	$50.00

COLLECTOR.

Paid Fred P. Stanton, part salary 1889,	$45.00

STATE AID.

Paid Mary P. Merrill, under Acts of 1889, Chap. 301,	$48.00
Edward A. Monies, " " " "	66.00
John A. Hoyt, " " " "	48.00
Vienna J. Hoyt, " " " "	48.00
Warren Larrabee, " " " "	48.00
Harriet A. Larrabee, " " " "	48.00
Joseph B. Woodman, " " " "	48.00
Cyrus Tuttle, " " " "	48.00
Kimball H. Drew, " " " "	24.00
Julia A. Norcross, " " " "	36.00
James M. Shattuck, " " " "	36.00
Thomas H. Clark, " " " 279,	120.00
Edward Plaisted, " " " "	72.00
James E. Perry, " " " "	48.00
Total,	$738.00

ABATEMENTS.

Wm. T. Tucker,	one poll,	1888, not liable,	$2.00
Wm. P. Abbott,	"	" removed,	2.00
Charles W. Bagley,	"	"	2.00
Edward A. Cheever,	"	" "	2.00
H. W. Dodge,	"	"	2.00
John W. Dawson,	"	"	2.00
Alfonzo Day,	"	"	2.00
Fred A. Eaton,	"	" "	2.00
Augustus Hutchinson,	"	"	2.00
Adarial Hodgdon,	"	" too old,	2.00
George E. Johnson,	"	" deceased,	2.00
John Mildram,	"	" too old,	2.00
Alden P. Mildram,	"	"	2.00
Charles McGregor,	"	"	2.00
Michael McNeil,	"	"	2.00
John Plaisted,	"	"	2.00
Geo. W. Peabody,	"	" too old,	2.00
Thos. F. Thompson,	"	" removed,	3.04
John W. Tinkham,	"	"	2.00
Smith Tinkham,	"	"	2.00
George W. Wesel,	"	"	2.00
John W. Woodman,	"	" not liable,	2.00
Alonzo Young,	"	"	2.00
William Hall,	"	"	2.00
Amanda Young,	real,	not liable, 1889,	7.25
Helen Spiller,	"	" "	4.50
	Total,		$60.79

SUMMARY OF TOWN EXPENSES.

Schools,	$1757.72
School Incidentals,	172.39
Highway Wards,	851.46
Clearing Snow,	22.95
Extra Highway,	530.80
Poor,	1092.98
Lock-up and Tramps,	58.46
Town House and Hall,	143.98
Park and Common,	8.69
Fire Department,	123.37
Library,	109.36
Incidentals,	261.89
Town Officers,	520.25
State Aid,	738.00
Abatements,	60.79
Total,	$6,453.09

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNTS.

JAMES H. PERKINS, COLLECTOR FOR 1887, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance due on tax list for 1887,	$14.69
	Cr.
By payment to W. F. Trowt, Treasurer,	$12.84
Uncollected taxes,	1.85
Total,	$14.69

P. H. KAVANAGH, COLLECTOR FOR 1888, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance due on tax list for 1888,	$186.75

	Cr.
By payment to W. F. Trowt, Treasurer,	$180.00
Uncollected taxes,	6.75
Total,	$186.75

FRED P. STANTON, COLLECTOR FOR 1889, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
To tax list committed to him to collect for 1889,	$6,000.25
Addition to tax list,	2.00
Total,	$6,002.25

	Cr.
By payment to W. F. Trowt, Treasurer,	$5,866.40
Uncollected taxes,	135.85
Total,	$6,002.25

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

WM. F. TROWT, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENHAM.

	Dr.
Balance due in Treasury, Feb. 18, 1889,	$927.19
Received from Wellington Pool, for rent of Town Hall,	106.00
" " " for cemetery lots,	84.00
" State school fund,	205.85
" " Corporation tax,	74.09
" " National Bank tax,	382.18
" " State Aid, Chap. 252,	162.00
" " " " 301,	415.50
" " County Treasurer for dog tax,	155.52
" " Druggist's license,	1.00
" " Oleomargarine license,	.50
" " W. F. Trowt for hay scales,	29.81
" " James H. Perkins, Collector for 1887,	12.84

	Dr.
Received from P. H. Kavanagh, Collector for 1888,	$180.00
" Fred. P. Stanton, " 1889,	5,866.40
" Town of Leominster,	17.15
" Library Committee fines,	9.70
Total,	$8,629.73

PAYMENTS.

	Cr.
Paid Interest on Town debt,	$147.50
" Temporary loans,	57.90
" Cemetery funds,	53.58
State tax,	540.00
County tax,	518.04
One-quarter of druggist's license,	.25
Selectmen's orders,	6,453.09
Balance in Treasury, February 14, 1890,	859.37
Total,	$8,629.73

ASSESSORS' VALUATION OF PROPERTY.

Real estate,	$445,525.00
Personal,	103,700.00
Total,	$549,225.00

Number of polls, 255.

Tax on polls,	$510.00
Tax on real and personal estate at $1 per $100,	$5,492.25
Total,	$6,002.25

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE TOWN.

Note due State of Massachusetts,	$2,500.00
" Estate of J. Low,	700.00
" Trustees of Cemetery Fund,	475.00

Note due Legacy of Mary Perkins, with interest to Feb. 1, 1890,	$2,650.95
Estimated amount of outstanding bills,	500.00
Total,	$6,825.95

RESOURCES.

Cash in Treasury,	$859.37
Due from the State, for State aid,	618.00
" Fred P. Stanton,	135.85
" James H. Perkins,	1.85
" Naumkeag Street Railway,	8.00
" P. H. Kavanagh,	6.75
Total,	$1,629.82

Balance against the Town, Feb. 14, 1890, $5,196.13

In accordance with a vote of the town, the Selectmen submit the following sums to defray the ordinary expenses :—

Schools,	$1,400.00
School Incidentals,	200.00
Poor,	800.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Highway,	1,000.00
Library,	100.00
Fire Department	150.00
Interest,	150.00
Total,	$4,800.00

JOHN GENTLEE,
JAMES T. BROWN,
WM. S. CUMMINGS,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN.

	Dr.
Expenses Committee to Boston,	$4.83
Books,	82.88
Supplement No. 2,	10.50
Binding Books,	5.85
Bookcase,	4.00
Library supplies, ledger, etc.,	1.81
Expressage,	.70
	$110.57
Balance in Treasury,	2.12
	112.69

	Cr.
Unexpended balance for 1888–89,	$7.79
Appropriation, 1889,	100.00
Fines and Catalogues,	4.90
	$112.69

PAID TOWN TREASURER.

Cash from Abbott Johnson,	6.50
" Fines and Catalogues,	2.00
" " " "	1.14

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT, 1889.

MARRIAGES.

Eleven marriage certificates were issued, and eighteen marriages recorded. Both parties of four couples were residents —and both parties of seven couples were non-residents; of the others, five of the grooms and two of the brides were also residents. All but two were of American birth. With all but two of the grooms and one of the brides, it was the first marriage, and with them it was the second.

BIRTHS.

There were thirteen births, seven males and six females. Also one additional birth was recorded, and a copy thereof returned to Danvers.

DEATHS.

There were thirteen deaths, six males and seven females. Two were non-residents. All were of American birth. Three were born in Wenham.

Ages: One was still-born, one 14 days, one 1 year, one 20, one 33, one 54, one 56, one 70, one 73, one 75, one 77, one 79, and one 87.

In addition to the foregoing, seven were brought to Wenham for interment.

DOGS.

Ninety-five dogs—eighty-eight males and seven females—were licensed; and from the money received therefor, the sum of one hundred and ninety-two dollars was paid into the County Treasury.

The sum returned to the Town Treasury was one hundred and fifty-five $\frac{52}{100}$ dollars.

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Wenham in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Wenham, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, and who have been duly registered as voters in said town, to meet at the Town Hall in said Wenham, on Monday, the third day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To act on the annual report of the Selectmen.

Art. 3. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the town charges for the year ensuing, and make appropriations of the same and determine the manner of collecting.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money in anticipation of the taxes as may be necessary to meet current expenses.

Art. 6. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to renew notes that may become due or hire money to replace the same.

Art. 7. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town? The ballots shall be "Yes" or "No."

Art. 8. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the expenses of Memorial Day under the direction of the sailors and soldiers of Wenham.

Art. 10 To see if the town will raise a sufficient sum of money to pay the State Aid for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see what action the town will take in regard to truant scholars.

Art. 12. To see what action the town will take in regard to the fence around the common.

Art. 13. To see what action the town will take in regard to laying a drain on the land of Henry Hobbs, by request of Henry Hobbs.

Art. 14. To see what action the town will take in regard to a Street Commissioner.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to grade Walnut street as ordered by the County Commissioners.

Art. 16. To hear the report of the Committee on a code of By-Laws.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to buy a flag-staff to be placed on the common, by request of Elbridge Porter and others.

Art. 18. To see what action the town will take in regard to lowering the bridge near George W. Peabody's corner, by request of Wm. B. Morgan and others.

Art. 19. To see what action the town will take in regard to building hay scales at the Neck, by request of F. M. Dodge and others.

Art. 20. To see if the town will adopt a corporate Seal and appropriate money for the same, agreeable to the request of Wellington Pool and others.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to build a number of concrete walks across Main street.

Art. 22. To act on any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting at-

tested copies thereof, one at each of the public meeting-houses and the chapel at Mapleville in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands, this fourteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

JOHN GENTLEE,
JAMES T. BROWN,
WILLIAM S. CUMMINGS,
} Selectmen of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM,

FOR THE

Year Ending March, 1881.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1881.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The Annual Report of the School Committee for the year ending March, 1881, is herewith submitted :—

The object and work of our schools remain substantially the same from year to year. The words and suggestions, therefore, by which their progress and future needs are indicated, may seem somewhat old and hackneyed. A few central principles of supreme importance must be mentioned and urged year after year, even although it may be the "same old story" which has appeared in previous reports. The liberal appropriation of the town has enabled us to retain and procure teachers of more than average ability, as we believe, and to continue the schools a longer term than usual, viz., thirty-six weeks for the year, and as a whole we feel much better satisfied with their condition than we were at the time of presenting the last annual report.

Our teachers, under the direction of the Committee, have aimed for a *thoroughness* in the various studies, believing that a thorough knowledge of a few pages and principles is better than a partial and superficial knowledge of a larger number. We have in mind some individual cases where there has been a great waste of time and opportunity, but we believe that the great majority of our scholars have endeavored faithfully to improve such talents as they possessed, and the results have been such as to furnish solid ground for courage and congratulation.

The whole number of scholars in town between the ages of five and fifteen years, the 1st of May, was 155. The amount of money raised by the town for each scholar was therefore $9.03.

The expenses of the schools for teaching, fuel, and care of rooms, have been as follows, viz. :—

For teaching	$1,530 50
For fuel and care of rooms	156 15
	$1,686.65

The receipts have been :—

Town appropriation	$1,400 00
State school fund	214 85
From dog licenses	66 49
	$1,681 34

EAST SCHOOL.

Miss Addie H. Wilkins, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	12	12
Wages of teacher per month,	$20	20	24
Whole number of scholars,	14	12	15
Average attendance,	12 1/3	11	13 2/3

This is the smallest of our schools, but its record, both in scholarship and regularity of attendance, is a creditable one. The successful experience of Miss Wilkins in other schools led the Committee to expect, at the commencement, a good year's work here, and in this they have not been disappointed. In the matter of discipline, the teacher proved herself equal to any emergency, always acting with decision and promptness. The proper classification of the school rendered necessary a considerable number of classes, (about the same as would exist in a larger school), so that the time of the teacher was constantly occupied. At the review of the year's work, at the closing examination, (every scholar being present), the different classes answered with readiness and precision, and appeared to possess a definite knowledge of the principles and lessons they had studied. We were sorry to observe that but few of the residents of the district were present, and by the register we noticed that but few had visited the school during the year.

NECK SCHOOL.

Miss S. Abbie Green, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	12	12
Wages of teacher per month,	$36	$36	$36
Whole number of scholars,	24	24	24
Average attendance,	$19\frac{1}{2}$	20	$20\frac{7}{20}$

Miss Green has now closed her fifth year of service here, and the advantage of retaining a teacher (if she be a good one), in the same school for a number of years, has been demonstrated plainly and conclusively. Neither the Committee, nor others, have had any occasion for worry of mind for fear all was not going on right in this school. Miss Green is herself a careful reader and student, and keeps her mind well crowded with facts and incidents with which to enliven the various recitations. The Committee consider that her methods of teaching are fully up with the times, and have observed that she is not always satisfied to "let well enough alone," if it is found that newer and plainer ways of teaching will work better. It is but just to say that the scholars generally responded to the efforts of the teacher with enthusiasm and hard study, and we have had here the two indispensable requisites for a truly successful school, viz., an enthusiastic, persistent, and competent teacher, and enthusiastic, appreciative and obedient scholars. The afternoon of the examination was well occupied with good recitations from the different classes, readings, declamations, and the reading of the 5th volume of the "Scholars' Companion," the yearly school paper, which was made up entirely from contributions by the scholars. The visitors were kept pleasantly occupied in examining the well kept writing and drawing books, maps, compositions, spelling exercises, &c. About two hundred compositions were reported as having been written during the year. Two of the scholars of this school, Minnie A. Gentlee and R. H. Prince, have recently passed examination for admission to the Salem Normal School. Others could no doubt do as well if they were disposed to try.

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Miss Alice C. Edwards, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of School in Weeks,	12	12	12
Wages of the teacher per month,	$34	34	34
Whole number of Scholars,	42	35	33
Average attendance,	39	31	28

This school has been smaller than usual the present year, the new beginners not having entered in sufficient numbers to make good the large class which was promoted to the grammar school the first of the year.

Miss Edwards has not "become weary in well doing" in this the third year of her service, as the daily progress of her pupils has borne witness. Added experience and more familiar acquaintance have rendered her labor even more efficient.

Possessed herself of an even and patient disposition, the reflex influence upon her scholars has been salutary. At the examination the scholars recited generally in a clear, distinct tone of voice, and the general exercises were varied and interesting. Considering the age of the scholars, the advance which had been made by the several classes was as much as could be reasonably expected. A pair of framed pictures, representing "Birds in summer, and Birds in winter," was presented to the teacher by the scholars and their parents, as a token of their regard. We regret that Miss E. has decided to close her work in this school.

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Miss L. E. Rogers, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of School in weeks,	12	12	12
Wages of teacher per month,	$45	45	45
Whole number of scholars,	34	38	38
Average attendance,	31	33 1/3	32

The partial failure of this school to meet the expectations of your Committee the previous year caused them to look around with considerable anxiety for a suitable instructor. Having for some years known Miss Rogers by reputation, and finding that the means placed at our disposal by the town were adequate, we made haste to procure her services. Our expectations have not been disappointed. She has labored with diligence, fidelity and good judgment. Under her skilful guidance and persistent drill, the school has improved from week to week through the year.

One of the mottoes which has been upon the black-board during the year was, "Thorough, Thorough." This motto the teacher has endeavored to make practical, not allowing a scholar to leave a principle or subject until it was well understood. The good discipline of the school has been a noticeable feature, and has been the subject of favorable comment on the part of those not officially connected with the school.

We noticed with approval that the teacher was impartial in her attentions, bestowing equal care upon each and all. The yearly examination was the most satisfactory for some years. The members of the different classes were ready with correct answers for nearly all the questions asked them. As might be expected, those scholars who had been most regular in their attendance were the most prompt with answers. The "roll of honor" upon the boards, indicated the names of a number who had been perfect in attendance, others nearly so. An examination of the register discovered but very few absent or tardy marks opposite the names of the girls, and those few apparently from unavoidable causes. The number of visitors during the year had not been large, but the parents and friends were well represented at the closing exercises. Mary E. Porter, of this school, has recently been admitted to the Normal School in Salem.

WEST SCHOOL.

Miss Sarah D. Rogers, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of School in weeks,	11	12	13
Wages of teacher per month,	$33	33	35
Whole number of Scholars,	33	34	29
Average attendance,	27⅓	28	23

This was the last school to close, and is the last to be mentioned in this report, but it is by no means last or least in many points of excellence which go to make up a good school. Miss Rogers has continued her work with fully average success, devoting her whole attention to the interests of the school, and most of the scholars have made commendable progress in climbing the "hill of knowledge." This school has been composed mostly of young scholars, so that the character of the teaching was largely elementary, for which the teacher seems to have a special aptitude. We have been impressed with the fact, at some of our visits here, that an ungraded school is not without its advantages and compensations. The younger scholars, if they are of average quickness of intellect, learn a great deal from hearing the older classes recite, so that the lessons are learned easier when they come to them in turn.

The afternoon selected for the closing examination proved to be quite stormy, but that did not prevent the attendance of a good number of visitors. Only three scholars were present who were over eleven years of age, several of the larger scholars having been obliged, on account of sickness and other causes, to leave before the close of the term. Those that remained, were not, however, dismayed, but sustained the reputation of the school in a creditable manner.

GENERAL REMARKS.

One of the principal reasons why our schools are not still more efficient, is the irregularity in the attendance of a portion of the scholars. After deducting the necessary cases of absence on account of sickness and other necessary causes, there still remains a considerable percentage for which there seems to be no reasonable excuse. To secure the best results, the lessons must be learned in their order from day to day, and the drill of the teacher must be continuous. These truths are so self-evident as to need no argument to prove them. In theory, the law regulating school attendance is compulsory, but there are some ways of evading it. And even if the twenty weeks attendance which is required is reached, there yet remains a great deal of room for absence in the course of the school year. There are some scholars whose names are upon the registers for all three of the terms, but yet whose attendance has barely reached the required number of weeks. We are decidedly of the opinion that five months of *steady* attendance is far better than five months scattered at irregular intervals through the year. There may have been a few cases where the attendance has hardly reached the required standard, but we have hesitated to exact the penalty which the law provides, knowing that those by whom it was incurred, were the least able to pay the fine imposed.

Another evil closely allied to the above mentioned, is the frequent dismissal of scholars before the close of the school. Teachers are not allowed to do this (except when the scholars are young) without a written request from the parent or guardian, but when a request is thus made it is not usually refused. It oftentimes happens that their dismission is asked just before some important lesson is to be recited, and if it occurs frequently results in decided loss. We would suggest that if parents *must* have the help of their children in school hours, that they arrange for their dismission at such times as will least interfere with their recitations. Both in

the matter of attendance and dismission the responsibility rests mainly with the parents, and to them we appeal and look for the remedy. We do not wish to be understood as intimating that our town is worse than others in the attendance of the scholars, in point of fact it is much better than the average, standing the second in the list of the cities and towns in the county and the fortieth in the state.

It oftentimes happens that scholars, whose attendance is equally good, and who are equally faithful, do not make the same progress. This cannot be helped, Nature is very unequal in her gifts, some are naturally endowed with more retentive memories and keener powers of comprehension than others, and can learn more with less study. Scholars are not therefore always to blame for not keeping even with their classes, and if the reasons are those which are above indicated, they deserve and have always received the sympathy of the Committee, and they should also receive the sympathy and help of their teachers. There is this to be said, however, by way of encouragement, those scholars who are diligent, persevering, and ambitious, will overcome many natural difficulties and obtain a more substantial knowledge of their lessons, than those who have quicker powers, but are less studious and persistent. There is still another class of scholars, (let us hope there are but few) who have small natural powers, and who appear to have *no* ambition, and who succumb to the difficulties they meet without much effort to rise above them. These will inevitably fall hopelessly behind their classes. They should not, however, be neglected. They must in the future meet the duties and responsibilities of life. They should therefore receive all the equipment and preparation possible. They can generally, if they receive proper attention, during the time they are required to attend school, obtain a fair knowledge of the fundamentals in the more important studies.

In conclusion, we desire to say that we have no sympathy

with that spirit of fault finding, which is generally found in every community, and which exists to a more or less extent in our own, which is ready to belittle and speak slightingly of our school privileges, because they are not equal to those that are enjoyed by other places. It is true that more densely populated and wealthy communities have advantages which cannot be enjoyed by country towns. But because we do not have all the advantages we should like, is that any reason why we should fail to prize and improve to the utmost those we do have? In length of terms, and in general quality of teaching, our schools are certainly superior to those of former years; they are superior to those that were attended by some of the most distinguished men and women of our county, in their early years; and if they are earnestly supported, and their advantages fairly improved, will furnish our children with a fair education.

N. P. PERKINS,
J. CHOATE, JR.,
R. F. DODGE,
} School Committee of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1882.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1882.

ANNUAL REPORT.

Time, in its never ceasing onward course, has brought us to the close of another School year, and in accordance with previous usage and in compliance with a statute of the State, the School Committee herewith submit the following report :—

The town appropriation for the support of Schools the past year was	$1,400.00
Received from State School fund	215.00
Received from Dog tax	57.26
Total	$1,672.26

We have expended as follows :—

For teaching	$1,428.00
For fuel and care of rooms	163.00
Total	$1,591.00

This is a large sum to expend for this purpose for a town of our size and valuation, and the question is sometimes asked, with the true American spirit of forethought and prudence, "Does it pay?" Are our children really any better off than were those of 60 or 70 years ago, when a few months schooling in a year, at an expense of a few hundred dollars, was thought to be sufficient. But, although these and similar questions are sometimes asked, yet we do not believe they are asked with any considerable degree of seriousness, for we think that the conviction is almost unanimous in our community,—that the educational equipment of children which was sufficient at the time spoken of, is not sufficient for the present. The immense advance which has been made in our country in all departments of human thought and hu

man industry, necessitates a like advance in educational advantages, if we would qualify our children to compete successfully with others in the affairs of life. This involves longer terms of school, better text books, improved methods of teaching, and, of course, a larger appropriation of money.

While believing this to be true, yet we are aware that the matter of improving our school advantages, may be pressed too far. We do not advocate any longer terms of school than we now have, believing that there are other things which our boys and girls should learn, which may well employ a portion of their time each year. But, we are strongly impressed with the fact that what we *do* need is not greater advantages, but a better improvement of those we now have. Good teachers, good text books, good schools, are of no use if the scholars are not there to improve them, and we cannot but think there is a lamentable lack of appreciation *somewhere* when we see the frequent marks of absence on our school registers, and when we are told that the number of requests for dismissal in one school has aggregated over 200 the past year. If there is to be any improvement in these respects it is to the parents we must look for it, and it is to them we appeal, with the hope that this action will be such that our school records will show a decided improvement the coming year.

The following brief report of the several schools will, it is hoped, show to some extent the progress in each :

EAST SCHOOL.

Miss Jennie Lummus, Miss Minnie A. Gentlee,—Teachers.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of School in weeks,	11	11	14
Wages of teachers per month,	$22	$16	$18
Whole number of scholars,	16	15	14
Average attendance,	14	$12\frac{2}{3}$	$12\frac{1}{2}$
Number of visitors,	8	12	13

Miss L. was a former resident and scholar of this town, and a recent graduate of the S. N. S. This being her first school we did not expect as much as we should from a more experienced teacher. We think, however, that she succeeded quite well, and most of the scholars made real and decided improvement. Just before the commencement of the Fall term, much to our regret, she resigned to take charge of a school in Danvers.

Miss Gentlee was well known to the Committee, having been until within a year a scholar at the "Neck School," where she was regarded as among the best scholars. She commenced the school with the determination to have good order, and succeeded so well that we were able, at our visits to the school, to commend the good discipline which we found to exist.

The examination at the close, while it revealed some defects, was yet on the whole quite favorable. The reading of a portion of the scholars was rather rapid and indistinct to be enjoyed. Some scholars in Arithmetic did not seem to understand the practical workings of the rules as well as we desired. The recitations in the other branches were commended. One scholar had studied book-keeping and physiology to considerable profit.

NECK SCHOOL.

Miss. H. Addie Wilkins, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	11	13
Wages of teacher per month,	$30	$30	$30
Whole number of scholars,	23	26	28
Average attendance,	20	22	24 3/4
Number of visitors,	23	14	15

After considering the various applications, the Committee decided to place the school in charge of Miss Wilkins, believing that her acquaintance with a portion of the scholars

and with the methods of the previous teacher, would enable her to succeed better than a stranger. We have found but little occasion to criticise her manner of teaching; although not rapid, the progress of the school seemed to be steady and thorough. Not as many advanced scholars were present as at some previous terms. A considerable number of classes in each branch of study was found to be necessary, there being so much difference in the attainments of the scholars. Undoubtedly there were some scholars in several of the classes who would have gone ahead considerable faster, if they had not been kept back by others, who, from frequent absence and for other reasons, were hardly able to keep even. It is sometimes embarrassing for a teacher to decide just what is best to do in such cases, whether to divide the class or try and keep them together.

At the closing examination the school appeared better than had been anticipated. Satisfactory recitations were heard in all the studies required by law to be taught. A large number of compositions had been written during the year, more we think than by any other school in town.

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Miss Laura M. Carleton, Miss C. O. Spofford,—Teachers.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	11	13
Wages of teacher per month,	$30	$30	$30
Whole number of scholars,	32	36	36
Average attendance,	22½	31	29⅓
Number of visitors,	31	20	13

Miss Carleton came to us with very high recommendations from her instructors, and evidently had a good understanding of the theory of teaching. Having received her own education in schools more closely graded than ours, she evidently found some difficulty in adapting herself to the condition of things which she found to exist here. Some complaints were

made at first that classes did not recite regularly, but as the term progressed, by a more judicious classification and a more equal allotment of time to each class, she was able to hear all without difficulty, and the general condition of the school was somewhat improved. She resigned her situation at the close of the Spring term.

The Committee were not wholly unacquainted with Miss Spofford, she having taught the East School for a short time some years ago. Under her care the scholars have regained their former standing, and this is now, as it nearly always has been, one of our most interesting and promising schools.

The examination (March 17th) was attended by a large number of visitors, and nearly all the scholars acquitted themselves well. The various recitations indicated that a good degree of progress had been made. Some deficiency was thought to exist in the spelling exercises, which we do not doubt will be remedied in the future. Some attention had been given to singing, which is a pleasing feature in any school.

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Miss S. Abbie Green, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	11	13
Wages of teacher per month,	$48	$48	$50
Whole number of scholars,	30	27	29
Average attendance,	$26\frac{5}{10}$	$23\frac{7}{10}$	25
Number of visitors,	40	27	17

The experience of the year has demonstrated that Miss Green does not lose her value by being transferred from one position to another. The same effective methods of teaching which have been noticed with commendation in previous reports, were brought into exercise here to the manifest advantage of the school. We are compelled to say, however, that

the school has not been brought up fully to the standard we desired and hoped for. There is a lamentable want of enthusiasm, on the part at least of a portion of the scholars, which has nonplussed and baffled the best efforts of teachers. The trouble is not want of abilty on the part of the scholars, for certainly they are possessed of average capacities. It is not that they have not had faithful instructors in times past, but it has seemed to us that there is to a certain extent a preoccupied condition of the mind which prevents that concentrated attention upon the studies which alone can make them truly interesting It has been the constant desire of Miss G. to gain the confidence of her pupils so that she could advise with them about their general conduct in a familiar way, but, as a rule, they have seemed to hold back from confiding their thoughts and plans to her, which is to be regretted, as she would certainly have tried to influence them in the right direction.

At the closing examination it was evident from the recitations that principles had been taught, rather than words merely, which is no doubt on the whole the most truly beneficial. The reading by the first class consisted wholly of extracts from H. W. Longfellow's works, in commemoration somewhat of his birthday anniversary. This exercise will be remembered with interest on account of the recent death of this favorite American poet.

WEST SCHOOL.

Miss Sarah D. Rogers, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	11	13
Wages of teacher per month,	$32	$32	$34
Whole number of scholars,	32	29	31
Average attendance,	26½	21½	26½
Number of visitors,	9	12	16

This is the third year of Miss Rogers's service here, and we are of the opinion that an average years' work has been accomplished. The school is largely primary in its character, there being but few scholars over ten years of age. As a whole we think them quite well advanced for scholars of their years. The order of the school was generally good, and the visits of the Committee usually found the scholars studious and the recitations spirited. A pleasing feature of this school is the promptness with which mistakes made by one member of a class are noticed and corrected by others. The examination was held March 4th, and it was thought that more questions were answered in a given time than at any other school. The spelling was remarkably good, also recitations in geography. The Franklin Primary Arithmetic, which we think is one of the best books of its kind, has been used by a class of twelve members with manifest profit. The recitations, even by the younger scholars, were well committed.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The ability to converse familiarly upon the minute details of our common studies is far rarer among our teachers than we could wish. It should not be forgotten that with the average scholar the committing of a lesson is generally purely an act of the memory, and no very definite knowledge is obtained. That one is in the truest sense a *teacher* who questions and explains until the *idea* as well as the words are understood. Scholars should be encouraged to look up facts bearing upon ~~these~~ lessons outside of their text books, and bring them into the class from day to day for the benefit of all.

We have been glad to observe recently that the plan to provide text books for moral instruction in the public schools has been given definite shape by the appointment of a committee representing all religious bodies, to prepare a series of books suited to the wants of schools of different grades. This is not a sectarian movement at all, but an attempt to

condense those broad and practical moral truths, upon which all Christians and all sound moralists are agreed, into such shape that they may be taught to our scholars in connection with their regular studies. We must not forget that it is not only important for children to obtain knowledge, but that it is far more important for them to know how to use it rightly. As knowledge is power, the more of it one has the more power for evil he possesses if that knowledge is wrongly directed. The responsibilities which rest upon those who have anything to do with training the minds of children are indeed great, and all helps which will enable them to perform this duty more intelligently, should be welcomed.

Teachers are sometimes inclined to give less attention to dull scholars than to those bright and promising. This is wrong. Those who are quick to learn will go ahead even under somewhat adverse circumstances, while those who are dull will fall hopelessly behind if they do not receive special encouragement. Neither is it right or honest to keep some scholars and some classes in the background on examination day, because it is feared that they will not do well. It is far more satisfactory to give all a chance, even if some do not recite readily.

Declamation is an exercise that we think should be cultivated more than it is, especially with our boys, to whom it may be highly beneficial. Some of them may be called to fill important stations in life, where the ability to speak with ease in public may be of great service to them. Failure to succeed well at first should not discourage any one, as some who have been known as our best public speakers were decidedly awkward when they commenced.

Singing in some towns is taught in the public schools, and while we should hardly advocate any special appropriation for the purpose, yet we should be glad if those teachers who understand music would make it an occasional exercise with their scholars. It certainly affords an agreeable variation to

the usual routine of school duties. Children must and will be learning *something*, and we cannot too much occupy their minds with those matters which are pure and elevating.

The history of a year in the life of our schools is in many respects but a repetition of previous years. It is the same steady current bearing on its surface childhood blooming into youth, and ripening into manhood and womanhood. It is indeed all this and more. It has truly been said that "each year's history is a product of the past." It is a logical conclusion, (which, however, is not always realized in fact), that our present schools should be better than those of any previous year, for the reason that we have had all previous experiences, both of failure and success, by which to shape their course. And we conclude this report by expressing the hope that we all, parents, teachers, scholars, and committee, may so wisely improve the lessons and experiences of the past that the record of our schools the coming year will show them to be increasingly helpful and beneficial to our community.

N. P. PERKINS,
R. F. DODGE,
J. CHOATE, Jr.,
School Committee of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1883.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1883.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The Annual Report of the School Committee for the year ending March, 1883, is herewith submitted. In regard to our supervision of the important interests committed to our charge, we have to say that one of our number has visited each school, upon an average, at least once in each month, (and oftener when special occasions required), and we have endeavored thereby to make ourselves acquainted with their every-day workings and to understand their needs. Such suggestions as we saw fit to make were gladly received by the teachers, between whom and the Committee the utmost harmony has prevailed, the common object having been to do what seemed to be for the very best in each given case. The results have been somewhat varied, but we believe that, as a whole, fully an average year's work has been accomplished.

The town appropriation for the support of schools. the past year, was	$1,400.00
Received from State School Fund	214.16
Received from Dog Tax,	86.15
Total,	$1,700.31

We have expended as follows :—

For teaching,	$1,532.00
For fuel and care of rooms,	204.50
	$1,736.50

It will thus be seen that we have exceeded the appropriation by $36.19 ; but as there was a balance unexpended last year of $81.26, there is still a small surplus taking the two years together.

EAST SCHOOL.

Miss Lena V. Wesel, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	11	13
Wages of teacher per month,	$22	$22	$24
Whole number of scholars,	12	13	15
Average attendance,	9	11	12
Number of visits by the Committee,	3	4	4
Number of other visitors,	1	1	3

This is the smallest of our schools, but being composed of scholars of different ages, about the same number of classes are necessary as in larger schools, so that the time of the teacher is constantly occupied. Miss W. is a Normal graduate, and possesses many excellent ideas in regard to school teaching and management, and while the school was not aroused to any great degree of enthusiasm, yet we are satisfied that an average progress has been made by most of the classes, especially those in arithmetic, geography, and spelling. The reading was fair, but some of the scholars were in a book which was thought to be too advanced for their capacity. The classes in grammar and history did not appear to have much interest in these important studies. The writing books (or at least a portion of them) showed a want of care in following the copy, which detracted much from their appearance. The singing was a marked feature, and was participated in by a larger proportion of the scholars than is usual.

NECK SCHOOL.

Miss Nellie H. Rogers, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	11	13
Wages of teacher per month,	$30	$32	$34
Whole number of scholars,	26	27	27
Average attendance,	21	21	22
Number of visits by the Committee,	4	3	6
Number of other visitors,	14	11	5

Miss R. possesses many natural qualifications of a good

teacher, which being supplemented by a regular course of training, render her peculiarly well fitted to perform efficiently the duties of that position. Prompt and decided in action, firm and yet pleasant in general management and discipline, clear and familiar in explaining and illustrating, with all her faculties at ready command, the scholar must be dull indeed who would not be aroused and stimulated under her guidance. To visit the school was a duty made pleasant by the many things found to praise and the few things found to censure. The scholars in this school nearly always do well in arithmetic. With some families in this district there seems to be an inherent aptness for mathematical calculations. Other branches of study were not, however, neglected, and the memorizing of names, dates and events in history, and the location and description of the various countries, in geography, were in all the classes creditable, and in some instances quite remarkable. The Committee were also pleased with the neat appearance of the writing books, and had occasion to commend the evidences of original thought displayed in the compositions. Two scholars were well advanced in algebra, and are well qualified to enter a High School. Avis M. Henry, a pupil in this school, received the first prize offered by the "Scholars' Companion" for the best composition on a subject suggested by a picture published in the paper, the offer of the prize being open to the competition of all the schools (where the paper was taken) in the United States.

CENTRE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Miss Carolyn O. Spofford, Teacher.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	11	13
Wages of teacher per month,	$32	$32	$32
Whole number of scholars,	43	38	34
Average attendance,	33	33	27
Number of visits by the Committee,	3	4	7
Number of other visitors,	15	13	12

This school has been fortunate in being for another year

under the care of Miss Spofford. Other things being equal, a teacher will do better the second year in a school than the first, and in our judgment the retention of Miss S. has been no exception to this rule, and we also think that the parents and friends of the school have come more generally to appreciate her merits. The Committee have felt satisfied in their visits that the various classes were being thoroughly instructed in those important and fundamental matters which come within the scope of a school of this grade. We noticed with approval that the scholars (especially those in the first class) were encouraged to ask questions in a familiar way, in regard to the various matters which come up in their lessons, and also to relate for the benefit of each other any little items of information which they had obtained from outside sources. The recitations and general exercises at the examination were such as may always be expected at the close of a well-kept school, for it is a well-known fact that generally, if not always, a "good beginning makes a good ending."

CENTRE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Miss S. Abbie Green, Miss M. F. Smith, Teachers.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	12	11	13
Wages of teacher per month,	$48	$50	$50 & $40
Whole number of scholars,	27	25	23
Average attendance,	23	20	20
Number of visits by the Committee,	4	4	8
Number of other visitors,	8	18	9

This school has been smaller in point of numbers than it has been at any time within our recollection. Several of the older scholars have dropped off during the year, some for good reasons, and others for reasons which hardly seem sufficient. The Committee have in previous reports expressed their highly favorable opinion of Miss G. as a teacher, and we have only to say at this time that we have nothing to retract from those commendations. At the close of the fifth

week of the winter term, we unexpectedly received her resignation, she having decided to accept the offer to take charge of a higher grade of grammar school at North Easton, Mass. If she had remained through the winter term, she would have completed the seventh year of her service in this town. The record of her labors here now passes into the history of our schools, where we believe it will always retain an honorable place. After a delay of one week, the Committee secured the services of Miss Smith of Salem to complete the term, and we think the school suffered as little from the change of teachers as we could ordinarily expect. Pleasant and cordial relations seemed to be apparently at once established between her and the scholars, which continued through the term. We desire to commend the scholars for the good order they have observed during the year, and for their improved habits of study, in both of which respects we think there has been a decided gain. No study beyond those usually taught had been taken, except physiology, in which there has been an interesting class for two years.

WEST SCHOOL.

Miss Helen W. Trask, Miss Annie R. Killorin, Teachers.

	Summer.	Fall.	Winter.
Length of school in weeks,	11	11	14
Wages of teacher per month,	$30	$38	$40
Whole number of scholars,	34	34	36
Average attendance,	28	31	28
Number of visits by the Committee,	5	5	5
Number of other visitors,	16	23	25

Miss Trask came to us well recommended, and was, in our opinion, in point of scholarship and in acquaintance with modern methods of teaching, fully equal to the average of teachers, and there seemed to be no reason, so far as her ability to instruct was concerned, why the scholars should not do well, much better than they did. The discipline of the school was, however, from the first, defective. Neither in nor out of the

school-room were the scholars under that ready control which is so essential to the prosperity of a school. Miss T. closed her work here at the end of the eleventh week. After considerable inquiry and correspondence, in various directions, the Committee thought themselves fortunate in securing the services of Miss A. R. Killorin, of Wakefield, who came to us with an experience of eight years as a teacher in that town and in Middleton, and with the cordial and unqualified indorsement of the Committees of both places. Miss K. is a thorough disciplinarian, and it was soon evident that the school was under the leadership of one who was mistress of the situation. All cases of insubordination were promptly dealt with, and the order of the school during the remainder of the year was such as to leave no reasonable ground for complaint. Her methods of instruction were thorough and comprehensive, and her manner of explanation in accordance with modern usage. It was her evident aim to have each scholar understand the underlying principle of the subject taught, and to encourage habits of self-reliance and independent thinking. A visit to the school was always pleasant and profitable, as so many sources of information were drawn from outside the text-books. We were also pleased to notice that those who are usually denominated as dull scholars, were not neglected, but that daily efforts were made to draw out and develop whatever talents they possessed. The belief of the teacher, which she endeavored to put in constant practice, was that it is better to learn a few things (and those the most important) thoroughly and well, than to have a superficial and uncertain knowledge of many. This is the banner school in its number of visitors, seventy-nine names being recorded on the register, a large proportion of the parents in the district being among the number. The exercises at the examination, both regular and special, were unusually varied and interesting, and were listened to with attention and evident appreciation.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Irregular attendance is still one of the greatest obstacles to regular progress in our schools. We have alluded to the subject so often in our Annual Reports that we fear some parents have become hardened to our appeals. By far too much of our annual school appropriation is still wasted upon empty seats. Some of our parents, who are careful and economical in regard to most matters, seem to be strangely indifferent to the fact that by permitting irregular attendance, they are losing a considerable portion of their children's share of the school money. During the school terms the expense is going on constantly, and to receive their full share the scholars must be prompt and regular. It is a well-known fact that scholars whose irregularity becomes chronic, are a constant drag upon their class, soon fall helplessly behind, become discouraged, and the years of their school life roll away without their receiving that preparation for the duties of after life which our common school system contemplates. We are aware that some parents at times seem to need the help of their children at home, but it is a question which ought to be carefully and candidly considered, whether or not the present gain to the parent is sufficient to counterbalance the irreparable future loss to the child.

One of the most important duties which belong to parents is to sustain, in all things reasonable, the authority of the teacher. An entire confidence should exist between them, and to ensure success they should labor with mutual trust and forbearance for the success of the common object. There is nothing which tends so much to encourage the teacher in her hard and often times difficult work, as to know that she has the confidence and good will of the parents of her pupils. We would say to the parents that, if difficulties occur, if in your judgment the teacher has acted injudiciously, do not be in haste to denounce her as unfit for her place, but inquire

calmly into the cause of the complaint, and seek to know the whole truth of the matter. When this is done, we think that in a great majority of cases the trouble will be found to have been more imaginary than real, and can be readily adjusted by the exercise of a spirit of mutual forbearance and sound common sense. Do not condemn a teacher unheard, but remember that there are always two sides to all questions, and that you should try and look at things from her standpoint before you can fully understand and appreciate her motives.

We find that almost all teachers have some methods of teaching peculiar to themselves. This is as it should be, as we cannot expect teachers to lose their individuality. Yet there are some points in which we think all should be agreed. For instance, all teachers should teach their pupils to think for themselves, to be self-reliant. It is a mistaken kindness to show scholars to such an extent that there shall be no necessity for mental exertion on their part. As a rule children do not take naturally to hard study at first. They had rather skim than dig. They are content to get the answers to a question, without being able to give an intelligent reason how and why they obtained it. We too often find evidence of this in our visits to the schools. While teachers should be ready to give all necessary instruction and aid, it should be given in such a manner that the scholars shall be made to think for themselves, rather than have the teacher think for them. It is a well-known fact that there is no "royal road to learning," and we should not place a very high value on that education which does not involve some systematic hard work on the part of the scholar as well as the teacher.

"Whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well," is an old adage and a good one. It applies emphatically to what our children learn in their studies. Teachers should be careful not to urge their scholars over more space than they can thoroughly understand. They should be well grounded in fundamental principles. As a consequence of too much

haste, we sometimes find scholars at work, for instance, in fractions, who are not perfectly familiar with the multiplication table, or at work in square root when they can hardly understand the difference between a proper fraction and an improper one. "Make haste slowly" is a safe rule to apply with most of our scholars.

We live in an age of improvements. In no one thing is this more apparent than in methods of instruction. The ways that were in use when those of mature years were young, are many of them changed. Those methods of explanation were well enough at that time, but if modern changes have been in the direction of greater simplicity and effectiveness, we should be very unwise if we did not wish to have our children instructed in accordance with those changes, even though they may be somewhat different from the manner to which we have been accustomed.

In concluding this report, we have only to say more, that in the future as in the past, we shall use our best endeavors to conduct our schools in such a manner that the "greatest good to the greatest number" shall be the result. In our selection of teachers, and in general management, we shall always remember that we are the servants of the town, and are in duty bound to have regard to its highest interests. We have no self interests to promote, and shall allow no spirit of favoritism to bias our action. We are conscious of some mistakes in the past, and we cannot promise that we shall not make them in the future, for "to err is human." Past experience has told us that we cannot please all, even when we do our best. If we can meet the general average expectation of the community, we shall be content.

N. P. PERKINS,
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Annual Report

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Town of Wenham,

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YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1884.

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SCHOOL REPORT.

The close of another year brings with it the duty of submitting to the town a brief report of the operations of our schools, and to make such recommendations and suggestions as seem to be required. It has been a year of more than usual anxiety on the part of the Committee, partly on account of frequent and unanticipated changes of teachers, and partly because of a feeling of uncertainty as to whether other changes were not also desirable. It is not as easy at the commencement or during the year to decide what is best to do, as it is at the close to tell what ought to have been done. Our scholars decrease somewhat in numbers from year to year, as will be seen by reference to the reports of the several schools, but although less in number, they represent the same variety of mind, morals, and habits, as formerly. Some are bright, apt to learn, self controlled, and of good morals; some are otherwise. This variety must be taken into account in judging of the results of school instruction.

We have received and expended for the support of our schools as follows:—

Town Appropriation,	$1,400.00
State School Fund,	215.47
Dog Tax,	79.76
	$1,695.23
Paid for teaching,	$1,518.50
Paid for fuel and care of rooms,	187.95
	$1,706.45

The schools have been kept thirty-six weeks each during the year.

EAST SCHOOL.

Teachers—Miss Sarah B. Butler, Miss Hattie L. Fiske, Miss C. A. Keefe, Miss Lizzie M. Patch.

	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.
Whole number of scholars,	12	11	14
Average attendance,	10½	9½	10
Wages of teacher per month,	$22	$22	$24
Number of visits by the Committee,	4	4	3
Number of other visitors,	4	3	1

It is not often that one of our schools has four different teachers the same year; but on account of circumstances which we could not control, such has been the case here, and it has no doubt been a serious drawback to the success of the school. Miss Butler had charge of the school twelve weeks, Miss Fiske one week, Miss Keefe thirteen weeks, and Miss Patch ten weeks. Miss Butler was a good scholar and a fair teacher, but failed in discipline. Under the other teachers, the order of the school was much improved, and considering the adverse conditions under which they labored, we think that a commendable amount of instruction was received by the pupils. The attendance appears not to have been as good as usual, and we were sorry to see that the register was much disfigured by marks of tardiness. Perfect in attendance one term, Florence Stillman, Bessie Williams, Alice A. Preston.

NECK SCHOOL.

Teachers—Miss Sarah E. Symmes, Miss Mary D. French.

	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.
Whole number of scholars,	25	24	28
Average attendance,	21	21	23½
Wages of teacher per month,	$34	$36	$40
Number of visits by the Committee,	3	5	4
Number of other visitors,	8	5	1

Two teachers in one year is an experience unknown in this

school for many years. Both of them were, however, good teachers, so that no serious inconvenience was caused by the change. The management of the school by Miss Symmes during the spring term was so satisfactory to the Committee that they refused to accept her resignation, which was tendered during the summer vacation, as she was engaged for the year; but as she made her withdrawal peremptory, there was no alternative but to procure a new teacher. Miss French proved herself to be a competent and wide-awake instructor, and the good progress of the school during the spring term was continued during the fall and winter. The examination of the school, which occurred February 28th, was quite successful, and indicated that fully an average year's work had been accomplished. Besides the usual studies, there were classes in algebra, philosophy, and natural history. Some of the scholars have a decided talent for drawing, evidences of which were displayed upon the blackboards. The singing was excellent, and other general exercises commendable.

Perfect in attendance—Three terms, Annie, Sadie, and Sydney Prince. Two terms, Mary Prince. One term, Chas. Carey, Emma Dodge, Avis Henry, Charles Riva, Willard Riva, George Perkins, William Bailey.

CENTRE PRIMARY.

Miss Carolyn O. Spofford, Teacher.

	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.
Whole number of scholars,	32	30	30
Average attendance,	24	25½	24
Wages of teacher per month,	$32	$32	$32
Number of visits by the Committee,	4	5	4
Number of other visitors,	5	5	1

We presume the parents who send children to this school do not need to be informed that it has enjoyed another successful year. The discretion and good judgment which have

characterized Miss Spofford's previous management of the school have been still conspicuous and made still more effectual by a more intimate acquaintance with the pupils. At the commencement of the year the promotion of the first class seemed to cause a serious vacancy, but we are glad to report that another "first class" is rapidly working up to stand in their place. It has been the evident aim of the teacher to have every lesson thoroughly understood before leaving it, and to that end the scholars have been encouraged to ask questions in regard to the subjects taught, so that these may be to them actual facts and truths, rather than abstract statements. Although the weather on the day of the examination was very unfavorable, yet the scholars were present in good numbers, and gave a good account of their year's work.

Perfect in attendance—Two terms, Eddie L. Batchelder, Herbert Shattuck. One term, Perley Cummings, John Williams, Gertie Brewer, Bertha Abbott, Charles Woodman, Irving Childs.

CENTRE GRAMMAR.

Miss M. A. Smith, Teacher.

	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.
Whole number of scholars,	31	27	28
Average attendance,	26	22½	25
Wages of teacher per month,	$38	$38	$40
Number of visits by the Committee,	5	5	5
Number of other visitors,	4	8	3

We have some reason to expect more from this school, as it is the only approach to the graded system we have. The results the past year have been in many respects rather disappointing. During the spring and a portion of the fall term the school appeared to be accomplishing about the usual work, but the latter part of the year the onward movement was not so evident. Miss Smith had many well considered

plans for the advancement of the school, but they were rendered largely ineffectual by the want of enthusiasm and apparently preoccupied condition of mind of a portion at least of the scholars. We feel that she has tried to do her duty by the school conscientiously, but we know that her patience and temper have at times been sorely tried. It would be wrong to say that the school has been a failure, for we think a majority in each class have tried to do their best and have made a satisfactory advance. Charles S. Norris and Mary Cummings had obtained the highest rank in spelling for the second, third, and fourth classes, and were accorded the honor of "choosing sides" at the spelling match on examination day. The orderly manner of the scholars in entering and leaving the room by military step, was a pleasing feature of the afternoon, and is a practice which deserves encouragement.

Perfect in attendance—Two terms, Willie Cummings. One term, Mary Cummings, Fred. Porter, Hattie Porter, Georgie Williams, Alice Beard, Blanche Beard, Rosie Shattuck.

WEST SCHOOL.

Miss Annie R. Killorin, Teacher.

	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.
Whole number of scholars,	35 ~~45~~	34	31
Average attendance,	28	30	25½
Wages of teacher per month,	$38	$38	$40
Number of visits by Committee,	4	4	3
Number of other visitors	19	29	16

The management of this school by Miss K. for the fall and winter terms of 1882–83, was so successful that the Committee thought themselves fortunate in securing her services for the present year. We have seen no reason to regret this action. Although working against some difficulties at times, she has firmly maintained her place as the head of the school without any serious trouble. We had frequent occasion to

commend the clearness of illustration and progressive methods of teaching which were brought into use in conducting the various classes. "By their fruits ye shall know them," is the standard of judgment set by the Great Teacher. The fruitage of the year's work of this school, as it was exhibited on examination day, if we may judge from the current comments of the goodly number of visitors present, was very pleasing and satisfactory. We do not mean to say that all learned equally well. The difference in the intellectual endowments of scholars and of natural desire for study will always prevent this, however faithful the teacher may be. Among the interesting features at the close was the reading of an original poem appropriate to the occasion, composed and read by Laura F. Batchelder. Two scholars, Gertrude H. Burpee and L. F. Batchelder, without any outside training, have passed a successful examination for admission to the Salem Normal School. This is still the banner school of the town in the number of visitors (75) during the year, and also in the number present at the examination (60).

Perfect in attendance—Three terms, Gertrude H. Burpee. Two terms, Nellie Standley. One term, Annis E. Cook, Louise G. Dodge, Bessie F. Dodge, Bertha R. Standley, Sallie H. Clark, George A. Perkins, L. F. Batchelder, Lizzie E. Clark.

GENERAL REMARKS.

It seems strange, when we look at the matter in the light of reason, that some parents, by allowing the irregular attendance of their children, will deliberately permit them to be cheated out of their rightful share of the annual school appropriation; yet a study of the school registers shows that such is the case. The number of pages which have been written upon this subject in the school reports of the various towns in the State would probably fill volumes, and yet the same

waste goes on year after year. The arguments and appeals of Committees against this evil seem to be like so much chaff thrown against the wind, judging by the effect they seem to have upon the public, but nevertheless we desire to protest once more against it, and earnestly express the hope that there will be an improvement in this respect the coming year.

We are positive that it would be a great help and encouragement to our teachers if the parents would more frequently visit the school room. We think that they would thereby place themselves more closely in sympathy with their work and trials, and be able to assist and encourage them more intelligently by their advice. The teacher's work is not always the pleasantest. There are many to suit, there are a great variety of dispositions to understand, and many mischievous propensities to control. The bodily labor may not be so hard as in some other employments, but the strain upon the nerves is greater. It has been well said that "they are required to take upon themselves the aggregate care and anxiety which out of school hours is shared by the many parents whose children are placed under their charge." Parents can be a great help or hindrance in the matter of discipline. There is no surer receipt for destroying the usefulness of a school than for a spirit of insubordination and contempt of the teacher to be encouraged at home. We are glad to mention that some cases have come to our notice where the correction of a scholar at school has been promptly followed by another at home, and other cases where for the use of improper language to the teacher pupils have been required to apologize to her before the school the next morning. The effect in such cases always has been, and cannot fail to be, salutary both to the scholar and the school. Obedience to properly constituted authority is one of the greatest safeguards to our free institutions. Fortunate and blessed are they who learn this important lesson when young, either with or without compulsion, for learned it must be sooner or later, if they are to become useful members of society.

At a special town meeting held in March last, it was voted that "the schools be so classified that a graded school might be formed from them." After considering the matter we concluded that no material change from our present classification was needed in order to effect what was intended in the above vote. In regard to the establishment of a school of higher grade, the Committee have not felt that it was expedient to recommend it. Our present schools are embarrassed, or are likely to be in the immediate future, by being too small rather than too large. The geographical situation of our town is a standing objection to much change in our present arrangement. If our town, instead of being six miles long and one mile wide, were three miles long and two miles wide, there would be a much better chance for the proposed change than there is at present.

Before closing, the Committee desire to say that they do not object to an honest and intelligent criticism of their acts at any time. They invite it, and will try and profit by the advice so received. But they do object to that indiscriminate censure which gives credit neither for honesty of purpose nor ordinary intelligence of action. They protest against this as unkind and unjust.

With these suggestions and with gratitude to the "Giver of all good," who has spared the lives of our children and given to them such a measure of health and strength that they have been able so generally to avail themselves of the benefits of our school system, we submit the foregoing report for the consideration of our fellow citizens.

N. P. PERKINS,
R. FRANK DODGE, } School Committee of Wenham.

ANNUAL REPORT

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

—OF THE—

Town of Wenham,

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1885.

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Number of *different* pupils of all ages, in the Public Schools during the year, was 161; whole number registered in summer, 127; in fall, 137; in winter, 150. Average membership of all the schools, was 120.5; average attendance, 106.6; per cent. of attendance based upon the average membership, 88.4. The number of teachers employed was 7, all of whom were females.

SCHOOL HOUSES AND GROUNDS.

The citizens of this town are certainly entitled to much credit for the liberality and promptness with which they responded to the call for funds to make necessary repairs to our school buildings, some of which presented a very uninviting appearance. Before the opening of the summer term, the following general repairs were made: The rooms of the East, Neck and West school houses were painted and whitewashed, the windows puttied and drawn, and the blackboards painted. A new floor was laid in the Neck and West school rooms; also the chimney in each of these houses was taken down and rebuilt, and the walls of the rooms in the Neck and East houses papered. The cost of these repairs, with some few other changes that were made, was about two hundred and sixty-five dollars. For the itemized account, we would refer you to the Annual Report of the Selectmen, for the year ending Feb. 17, 1885.

The school-yard at the Neck has been graded, and at the schedule prices would have cost the town fifty-two dollars, but which was done free of cost by the friends in the District, all of whom the committee would sincerely thank for their generous gifts of time, labor and material.

All of these repairs and changes are justified, if there were no other and higher considerations than those relating to comfort and their general influence on the taste and men-

tal progress. We are unavoidably affected by our surroundings, the *child no less than the adult.* Real instruction is not all from the teacher's lips, not all clothed in verbal language. Both favorable and unfavorable influences result from our surroundings, from the material objects before us. If there are "sermons in stones, books in running brooks," the style of architecture, the adornings and internal arrangements of the school-rooms, the order and cleanliness with which they are kept, are not without their influence, and play an important part in the education of children.

TEXT-BOOKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

A few changes have been made, and it is more than probable that some others might be profitable. While the useless appropriation of a single farthing should not be encouraged, a liberal expenditure is sometimes highly judicious. An Act was passed by the Legislature and approved March 22, 1884, requiring that the "school committee of every city and town shall purchase, at the expense of such city or town, text-books and other school supplies used in the public schools, etc." It will be seen that the Act was approved after the Annual Town Meeting, hence no provision was made to meet the expense necessary to carry out such an Act. Your committee, however, complied with the provisions of the law, and furnished the needed books and school supplies, incurring an expense of two hundred dollars and forty-nine cents.

DISCIPLINE.

Every child in the school-room, in some degree, reveals the condition of the home discipline. Those accustomed at home to obey, will do so at school; while those who *discipline*

their parents, will be displeased and restive when teachers refuse to obey. Those "born to rule," as they suppose, do not easily resign their prerogatives, not being able to see why teachers are superior to their parents, and why they should not be equally yielding and obedient.

It is admitted that teachers, like others, may err in judgment and fail in execution; but the good of society demands that we should lean to the side of good order, favor restraint, even so far as to regard trifling errors and mistakes of teachers with charity. It cannot be doubted but that an improved *home training* would be attended by a corresponding improvement in the schools; the idle, vicious and disobedient at *home* being the refractory scholars. It is also true that the great variety of dispositions and habits, the numerous shades of character, etc., correspond with the different home influences, the varied impressions received, all modified by diverse views of family government. As a necessary result, some parents are opposed to corporal inflictions, some to detention after school hours, and still others to all kinds of punishment whatever. Now what course shall the teacher pursue under circumstances so embarassing? Fortunately for her, the law comes to her aid, which places her in precisely the same relation to her scholars, while under her care, as the parent sustains to his child; and empowers her to inflict the same kind and degree of punishment, as a judicious parent would inflict upon his child under the same or similar circumstances. It is no uncommon occurrence for parents to confess their inability to control their children or to enforce obedience. Yet some of these very individuals who are unable to govern even their *own* children, seem to expect the teacher to be able to discipline perfectly, and instruct thoroughly, without *aid* or *sympathy*, a school, composed in part, of such materials, while any degree of punishment, however slight, for idleness or disobedience, is made the subject of grievous complaint.

Let *parents* reflect upon this matter and resolve to perform

their duty faithfully, and the necessity for punishment would soon cease to exist in our schools. We ask them to feel a *personal responsibility;* to co-operate with their servants in securing good order; to encourage them by frequent visits; to learn the *real* condition of these "colleges for the people"; to condemn no school without such visits; and it is believed that prejudices will be removed, our schools benefited, and the general good be promoted.

EAST SCHOOL.

The patrons of this school may well be congratulated that they had their children under the charge of so successful a teacher as Miss Jennie S. Bertwell, who entered upon her labors with an earnestness, zeal, and an apparent fixed purpose that no effort should be wanting on her part, to invigorate and develop the mental powers of those intrusted to her care.

The general appearance of the school, when visited, was more like that of an industrious and affectionate family, than of ordinary schools. The earnest and generous co-operation of both parents and pupils with the teacher in the effort to make the school excellent, produced the most cheering results.

The order was good, and at the same time the teacher shared the respect and love of the scholars. Much work was done, and well directed toil was rewarded with encouraging success. It will be seen that the average attendance stands high on the list, that of the winter term being seventeen and six tenths, the whole number eighteen scholars, while for the entire year, the average of daily attendance was ninety-six and three tenths per cent.,—facts which speak for themselves. In arithmetic, the rules and definitions were thoroughly learned and practically applied. The classes in

geography, in connection with their regular recitations, attended to map-drawing with good results. The closing examination afforded ample evidence of the teacher's industry, patience, firmness and tact in the instruction and dlscipline of her school. The reading was fair, the spelling excellent. In arithmetic, mental and written, the examples were stated with precision and performed with accuracy. The writing books were very neat and exhibited commendable improvement. Time, money and labor here were well employed, and the results were highly satisfactory.

Whole number of scholars,	19
Average membership,	13.5
" attendance,	13.
" per cent. of daily attendance	96.3
" wages of teacher per month,	$26.00

NECK SCHOOL.

This school, during the summer term, was under the charge of Miss Martha E. Dimon, who, at the time of her engagement, was an entire stranger to the committee. She was not without experience in the school room, having previously taught several terms in other places.

As to intellectual acquirements and ability as a teacher, Miss Dimon came very highly recommended, and passed a satisfactory examination. At first, the indications of success were favorable, but a second visit to the school revealed the fact that the teacher gave more attention to the instruction of her pupils than to the general management and discipline of the school.

The natural results of such a course followed; the pupils became restless, inattentive, and, to some extent, disorderly, evidently not interested in their school work.

The attention of the teacher was called to these defects, and the remedy pointed out, but *they were not corrected.*

Her *method* of instruction was excellent, but the ability to impart knowledge was not as good, and in *government* she *failed*. At the close of the term Miss Dimon resigned and the vacancy was filled by the appointment of Miss Addie Dodge, of Hamilton, a lady of much practical experience and a thorough disciplinarian. She gave her *undivided* attention to her school, and labored earnestly "in season and out of season," and hence successfully. Her method of instruction was eminently practical, and had a wider range than the mere text books. The classification was excellent. The invariable neatness of the school-room, the attention and correct position of the pupils while reciting, together with their promptness and accuracy, were prominent features, finely illustrating the idea, that "what is worth doing at all is worth doing well." In reading special attention was given to securing clear and distinct articulation, correct emphasis, definite ideas of the meaning of words, and due regard to the pauses.

In arithmetic, every step in the mental operation, in analysis, was clearly stated, affording good evidence that the pupils understood definitely the principles stated and the work performed.

The same exactness and thoroughness were apparent in all departments of study. Such was the every day work of the school, in consequence of which, much was expected; and the results witnessed at the closing examination more than realized the highest anticipations of those having the school in charge. The government through the fall and winter terms was excellent, and the school a *decided success*.

Whole number of scholars,	24
Average membership,	18.5
" attendance,	16.3
" per cent. of daily attendance,	88.1
" wages of teacher per month,	$36.00

CENTRE PRIMARY.

This school was in charge of Miss Carolyn O. Spofford during the summer and fall terms, when ill health compelled her to resign, very much to the regret of the committee and patrons of the school. It is sufficient credit to refer to the records of the past, since to enter into the details of her success during these two terms, would be but a reiteration of the report of her success, during several years of labor in the same position. We will only say, therefore, that the school, while under her care, was in an excellent condition, and made very commendable progress. The mental discipline was highly satisfactory, and the government of the right kind.

At the commencement of the winter term, Miss Grace H. Rogers was appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Miss Spofford. Though previously inexperienced, she exhibited a high order of adaptation to the work of teaching. She mingled kindness, and a degree of familiarity, with dignified reserve, and won the love of her pupils, without losing either their confidence or respect. In visiting the school, it was pleasing to witness the good order that pervaded her school-room, and the attentive interest of the pupils.

The condition of the school showed that the teacher was manifestly interested in her vocation, evidently more intent upon imparting solid instruction than in making a mere show. At the examination, the children were freely questioned in those studies to which they had attended, and their usually prompt answers showed good acquaintance with the studies upon which they were examined. The reading and spelling were very creditable, and the exercises in geography and arithmetic were rendered quite entertaining, by the trial of proficiency to which the scholars were subjected, and evinced the fidelity and success with which *both* teachers had labored.

Whole number of scholars, ... 39

Average membership,	33
" attendance,	28.6
" per cent. of daily attendance,	86.7
" wages of teacher per month,	$31.33 1-3

CENTRE GRAMMAR.

This school was taught by Miss Ella F. Chadbourne, a lady of good attainments and large experience as a teacher. At the commencement of the year the teacher labored earnestly to overcome an apparent listlessness and indifference, which was quite too general among the scholars. In this she was, in a good degree, successful,—though it required time, decision and persevering effort to bring the school into a good working condition. This object having been secured, by establishing order and enforcing obedience to wholesome regulations, the work of the schoolroom, in respect to study and recitations, was prosecuted with a fair degree of success.

In the immediate connection with the school exercises, the government was good during the year, but the control, beyond the limits of the schoolroom, was not as effectual. At first there was a great defect in the tone of voice, it being almost impossible to hear many of the pupils, even at a short distance; before the close of the summer term, however, the exercises were audible in any part of the room. General progress was manifest through the year. In arithmetic, the analytical method was largely adopted, while in history the more usual course of questions and answers was disregarded and the consideration of subjects by their different topics adopted. The classes in geography have, in connection with their regular recitations, attended to map-drawing, the practice of which is trebly advantageous, in promoting mechanical neatness, mathematical correctness, and a greater familiarity with the country delineated than could be acquired from any mere description in a text book. In grammar, *most* of the

pupils of the second class made fair improvement, their interest in this study increasing through the year, while the recitations of the first class, in the text and rules of grammar, and their application to parsing and analysis, were especially good. The examination of the school, which took place March 6, afforded ample evidence that the teacher had labored faithfully, and that the pupils, with *few* exceptions, had appreciated and improved their privileges, making commendable proficiency in all of their studies.

Whole number of scholars,	27
Average membership,,	25.5
" attendance,	23.4
" per cent. of daily attendance	91.8
" wages of teacher per month,	$40.00

WEST SCHOOL.

This school was committed to the care of Miss Adelaide E. Wight, whose experience and acknowledged ability as a teacher were regarded as good evidence of her fitness to discharge her duties faithfully and satisfactorily. The school was somewhat unfortunate the first term, as it was closed during the second week, on account of physical indisposition of the teacher, and again for three weeks, by reason of sickness among the pupils and fear of an epidemic; so that it was in session but eight weeks during the summer term.

The first appearance of the school, after Miss Wight's connection with it, gave favorable indications of success. In entering on this new field of labor, it was evident that the teacher was anxious that the school should fully sustain its former position, and to accomplish this, she gave, during the first half of the school year, her undivided attention, regarding, manifestly the correct and thorough training of those committed to her care, as a matter of vital importance. On the second visit to the school, the committee felt that there

was not sufficient *system*, *discipline* and *dispatch*, necessary to secure the best results, to which attention was kindly directed. The suggestions were as kindly received, and as a result there was evidence of fair progress and commendable order. But during the last half of the year the condition of the school was not as satisfactory. Idleness and restlessness were too prevalent. A laxity of discipline necessarily retarded mental development. There was an apparent disposition on the part of the pupils to rely too much on the teacher for direct assistance, instead of putting forth individual effort to overcome difficulties in their lessons. This was quite obvious in the study of arithmetic, and rendered the pupils less positive in their statements and reasoning at the time of recitation.

The attendance was somewhat irregular, especially during the winter term. At the closing examination, held March 13, some of the classes appeared well, particularly, those in geography. The spelling was good, the reading was faulty, being too monotonous and indistinct, the classes in arithmetic seemed rather deficient in principles. The school, as a whole, was not fully satisfactory.

Whole number of scholars,	45
Average membership,	30
" attendance,	25.3
" per cent. of attendance,	84.3
" wages of teacher per month,	$36.00

In this review of the condition of the public schools, while we have called your attention to some of their excellences, we have also endeavored to point out their defects. This view, from both points, is due to every teacher, who, while the school is under her charge, *can* claim merit for its success and *must* be held responsible for its failure.

We have not thought it best to effect any radical changes, during the year, in our school system. It has been our chief

purpose to bring the children under the influence of the present system.

It has not been so difficult to *instruct* as it has been to keep the children under the influences of instruction. Active and vigorous effort has been required on the part of parents and teachers,—seconded in *some* cases by the Truant officers,—to secure a good attendance.

FRANCIS M. DODGE,
NATH'L P. PERKINS,
ELBRIDGE PORTER,
} School Committee of Wenham.

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REPORT.

To the citizens of Wenham:—

The Annual Report concerning the progress and condition of the several schools, is respectfully submitted.

The Committee received and paid out for the support of the public schools, not including cost of books, school supplies and incidentals, as follows:

Town Appropriation,	$1,400.00
State School Fund,	207.63
Dog tax,	101.51
	$1,709.14
Paid for teaching,	$1,520.83
" fuel,	128.50
" for building fires and care of rooms,	55.75
	$1,705.08

In reviewing the history of our schools for the past year, in scrutinizing the labors of those to whom we have committed the mental culture of the young, it is believed that there are evidences of movements in the right direction,—real progress.

Appreciating this progress, we would not live in the past, bewailing its imperfections, or become inactive from a satisfaction with the present, but would regard present acquisitions as incentives to make additional progress. This we would be encouraged to do from considerations of vital importance, fully persuaded that no proposition is more patent than that the structure of our free institutions is based on the intelligence *of the masses*.

Each of the schools was in session thirty-six weeks during the year.

Number of persons in town on the first day of May, 1885, between five and fifteen years of age, 140.

Number of different pupils of all ages, in the public schools during the year, 165.

Number attending within the year under five years of age, 4.

" " " " over fifteen " " 10.

Average membership of all the schools, 126.5.

Average attendance in all the schools during the school year, 113.2.

The per cent. of attendance based upon the average membership, 89.4.

Whole number of different teachers employed in the schools in the course of the school year, 6.

Amount of money spent in purchasing books, stationery, school-room supplies, etc., $248.88.

TEXT BOOKS.

The only change in our text books during the year, was the addition of Physiology, which was introduced into the schools, in compliance with " An Act " passed by the Legislature and " approved June 16, 1885," " requiring Physiology and Hygiene to be taught in the Public Schools."

This study has proved interesting and profitable, not only to the more advanced, but even to the younger pupils of our schools.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.

The school at the Neck and the Centre Grammar, each gave an entertainment, consisting of select readings, recitations, dialogues, tableaux and singing. Both entertainments were well attended by the patrons and friends of the respective schools, and, judging from the expressions of approbation during and after the exercises, were thoroughly enjoyed by all present. The money received was spent, in each case, in the purchase of books of reference for the respective schools. The teachers and pupils are deserving of great commendation for their praiseworthy efforts, through which a nucleus for a reference library, in each of these schools, has been established. To the East and West schools of the town we would say, go *ye* and do likewise.

CO-OPERATION OF PARENTS.

In a certain sense, at least, the teacher is an agent, acting instead of the parents, the parents having the superior interests. The teacher may be controlled by financial considerations, having more reference to appearances and to personal interests than to real progress—mental and moral culture,—while the parent is the party more immediately affected, the one having the most vital interests, contributing freely for the support of the public schools. The success of these schools is success in society in general, and in the families of the patrons in particular, while a failure detracts from the public good and involves a useless expenditure of public and private funds.

The schools constitute an inheritance, the personal wealth of the common people, suggesting the idea of a special regard, an incentive to foster them with a commendable tenderness. These relations involve the idea of a positive duty and privilege to visit these schools as frequently as circumstances will permit, carefully noting their methods of instruction, their management, scrutinizing the labors of the teachers as carefully as the business man does those of his clerks, manifesting, at least, as much interest in the education of our children as we do in the erection and furnishing of our residences. Such visits are not only profitable to the parents, but highly satisfactory and encouraging to teachers. It is only by such visits and personal examination that parents are enabled to judge *accurately* of their condition and of their advantages, as a means of elevating society. They have more interests in these schools than the teachers or visitors, and if they have grievances, they may *demand* to be heard—after having made themselves familiar with them—but *not till then.* They *only* have a right to sit in judgment upon the management of a school who have acquainted themselves with its condition by occasional or frequent visits. Such visits often have a marked effect in removing prejudices and objections, since *some* of

these are imaginary. Again, both the teachers and pupils have a direct *claim* upon the parents for personal visits, sympathy and co-operation. If they are seldom or never seen in the school room, while they frequent places of amusement, it is reasonable to infer that such parents have but little interest in the education of their children, and that they attach but little importance to the schools. Such inferences are unavoidable, unless it is supposed that they may have such unbounded confidence in the integrity and ability of the teachers that they regard them as infallible.

If *our citizens* have discharged their duties in this respect, enjoying all of their privileges, the school registers will reveal the fact.

CENTRE PRIMARY.

To have charge of a Primary School is a delicate and responsible position. "Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined." Here the child receives his first impressions of school-life, and forms those habits which will cleave to him, for good or evil, through his entire school course. As children become old enough to understand the purposes and ends of study, it is of less importance that their daily duties should be directed by the same person from one year to another; but young children, from the fact that they have no internal motives to exertion, depend more upon the personal influence of their teacher to stimulate their efforts.

The committee, therefore, considered themselves fortunate when they secured the services of Miss Grace H. Rogers, who taught in this school during the winter term of the preceding year. She labored indefatigably for the success of her pupils and with the most gratifying results.

The school was well taught and governed. The discipline was gentle but firm; always kind and encouraging; never abusive and terrifying. The teacher drew largely from her own mental and moral resources, constantly guarding against

the formation of bad habits, so that when her scholars pass from her care to a higher grade, they will not be intellectually deformed by bad training or morally marred through neglect.

More attention was bestowed upon the reading than formerly, and decided improvement was noticeable. Frequent repetitions, corrections of mistakes by the pupils as well as the teacher, remarks upon the proper pauses, tone and inflection, characterized this exercise.

Very careful attention was given to those just commencing the study of arithmetic, in order that the elementary principles of this branch of study should become thoroughly and correctly fixed in the minds of the pupils; to accomplish which, free use was made of the blackboards both by teacher and scholars; even the members of the primmer class manifested great pleasure in using the blackboards to show their acquisition in the use of figures, several of whom had thoroughly mastered the multiplication table, a work for which they had just reason to be proud.

The closing examination held March 4th, was attended by an unusually large number of parents and friends. While all the classes appeared well, those in mental and written arithmetic and spelling were especially deserving of commendation. In all of the school work a very decided improvement was apparent. The recitations by the little ones formed a pleasing part of the exercises. The examination was thoroughly satisfactory and justly commended.

Whole number of scholars,	43
Average membership,	30.9
" attendance,	27.2
" per cent. of daily attendance,	88.2
" wages of teacher per month,	$30

CENTRE GRAMMAR.

As soon as it was known that Miss Chadbourne could not be engaged for a second year's service in this school, the selection of a successor became a matter of no little anxiety on the part of those to whom the educational interests of the town had been entrusted. The vacancy was filled by Miss Carrie L. Lakeman, who had formerly taught successfully in a neighboring town, and whose reputation was established by other successful precedents. She is a lady of marked ability, a thorough disciplinarian and succeeded in gaining the love and respect of the scholars under her care.

Miss Lakeman, like her predecessor, soon discovered that the chief fault of the school was a want of real interest, on the part of the pupils, in school work, and unless this fault could be corrected, it would seriously retard the development and progress of the school. Energetic, zealous and laborious, she infused into her pupils in some degree, her own enthusiam and love for the exercises of the school-room.

The method of instruction was *critical*, thorough and *systematic*, the great design evidently being to "draw out mind," strengthen mental powers, and encourage self-reliance. It was gratifying, at the usual visits, to observe evidences of a general interest, cherished by teacher and the taught, with a few exceptions, with a consequent gradual and uniform development of the mental powers, though in a few instanccs we could but feel that a longer stay in the primary department would have been an advantage to the pupils, rather than to attempt the investigation of subjects above their capacities.

In reading there was less of " school tones " and more expression than formerly, evidencing that very great care was taken with this part of school work, in which a very decided improvement was made.

The study of arithmetic received its full share of attention, and most of the pupils, when tested by work upon the blackboards, were able to demonstrate the correctness of the solution

of their arithmetical problems with analytical exactness, furnishing unmistakable evidence that they were trained to habits of thought and self reliance.

The first class, in addition to the regular studies, commenced, at the beginning of the winter term, the study of algebra, in which fair progress was made. Hygiene was included in the program of daily work, and proved an interesting and profitable study.

The school was raised to a mental plane higher than that of the past, the present intellectual power being a legitimate consequence of the labor performed.

The public examination took place on Friday, the 26th of February, and, notwithstanding the severity of the storm, was attended by a good number of parents and friends. The explanations in arithmetic and algebra were clear, logical and full. While the classes in geography and history appeared well, the exercises in parsing as well as the analysis of sentences by the two classes in grammar, were performed in a manner highly satisfactory and worthy of special commendation. Fair proficiency was apparent in reading, spelling and defining. The specimens of drawing upon the blackboards and the compositions read were deserving of attention. We should do injustice not to pronounce this school a success.

Whole number of scholars, . . .	33
Average membership, ...	26.5
" attendance, ...	24.6
" per cent. of daily attendance, .	92.8
" wages of teacher per month, . .	$36

WEST SCHOOL.

During the summer term, this school was taught by Miss Mary E. Kimball, a lady of excellent attainments, and a teacher of some experience. Though this school is one of the largest of its class, demanding tact and ability in its management, yet it was well governed.

The teacher was well adapted to her situation, controlling her pupils more by her dignity, decision and uniform kindness, than by a mere resort to physical force. The classes were well disciplined; the teacher having the happy faculty of securing the respect and confidence of her scholars, on which pleasant relations mutual regard and affection are based.

In consequence of having "her task, so well begun as to be half done," the school was rendered, as a necessary result, mutually pleasant and profitable.

Miss Minnie A. Callahan succeeded Miss Kimball at the commencement of the fall term—the former teacher resigning—and entered upon her school labor with the expressed purpose of giving her *undivided time* and *attention* to the training and intellectual development of those committed to her care.

The business of teaching was not altogether new to Miss Callahan, though it was her first experience in a school of this character. On becoming familiar with the regular routine of the exercises of the school, and the manner in which they were performed, it was evident that industry, earnestness and energy were marked characteristics of the teacher.

In visiting the school during the fall term, it was pleasing to witness the apparent pleasant feeling that existed between the teacher and her pupils, and, with a few exceptions, the interest of the latter in their studies. The order during the entire term was good, and the progress of the scholars such as to warrant the committee in securing the services of the teacher for the remainder of the school year.

At the commencement of the winter term, the whole appearance of the school was quite satisfactory. But upon a subsequent visit, it was evident that some of the scholars had too little respect for themselves, or their teacher, or both, to conduct themselves with propriety, and the school from that time worked at a disadvantage. Those scholars who carried into the school-room a spirit of docility and diligence, sus-

tained by parental co-operation, made fair progress. If any failed, blame should be distributed with wise discrimination among those who are responsible for it.

The closing examination, held February 24th, was attended by a large number of parents and friends. There was much to be approved in the reading, though in some instances, more attention was needed in respect to distinct enunciation and correct pronunciation. In spelling and defining, the pupils were *prompt* and *accurate;* the same may be said of the classes in geography. The recitations in grammar and arithmetic were not as good as the other exercises.

While the results realized were not all that we could have wished, yet those having the school in charge, feel that Miss Callahan performed her duties in a faithful and conscientious manner, and although her efforts were in some degree counteracted by a want of co-operation on the part of some of the parents, still the scholars generally applied themselves industriously and made fair improvement.

Whole number of scholars,	40
Average membership,	30.3
" attendance,	25.7
" per cent. of daily attendance,	84.8
" wages of teacher per month,	$36

NECK SCHOOL.

Fortunately for this school, the former teacher, Miss Addie Dodge, was continued during the year. This was a mixed school, and though not large, it was of necessity divided into a large number of classes, of all grades, from alphabet to algebra. The classification and organization were as perfect as practicable.

The discipline of the school was firm, equitable and *effective.* The *instruction* was clear and scholarly ;—varied in style and comprehensive in range,—adapted to give a clear insight into

subjects taught, apart from the forms and phrases of the text books—the recitations patient and *thorough*.

Industry, constancy and a ready obedience to school authority characterized the daily routine. The work required was within the ability of the diligent and docile, but too great to allow any indolence or stupidity. A school thus taught and governed must prove a success, if it enjoys—as did this school—the judicious co-operation of the parents and friends of the pupils.

The inspection of the school during the year was a work of pleasure, in consequence of the evidence furnished from time to time—by the careful preparation on the part of the pupils and the exhaustive manner of conducting the recitations by the teacher—of the gradual, but sure unfolding of the intellectual powers of those committed to the care of Miss Dodge.

In the department of reading the careful attention of the previous year was continued with marked improvement; the expression given furnished unmistakable evidence that the readers had made themselves familiar with the subject and endeavored to give—as far as they were able—the real meaning intended by the author,—the monotonous manner of reading, too often met with, found no place among the pupils of this school.

In the study of grammar free use was made of the blackboards, upon which sentences were written, diagramed and analyzed, with that promptness and accuracy that showed familiarity with the principles of grammar and their application to parsing and the construction of sentences.

In history the undivided attention which the pupils gave, and the criticisms and questions that they were encouraged to make and ask, imparted a freshness and vivacity to the recitations that greatly enhanced the interest in this study. What has been said of the progress in reading, grammar and history applies equally to the other branches of study.

The closing examination, held February 25th, was thor-

ough, comprehensive and satisfactory. All the classes bore the tests, and proved by their prompt answers and explanations, that they had been carefully and thoroughly instructed in all of their lessons, and that they did not depend upon memory alone for their answers. The exercises were varied by singing, speaking, and last, though not least, the reading of a chapter of the school chronicles. A large and appreciative company evidently enjoyed the occasion.

Whole number of scholars, ...	25
Average membership, ...	20.2
" attendance, ...	17.7
" per cent. of daily attendance, . .	87.6
" wages of teacher per month, . .	$36

EAST SCHOOL.

This school was continued another year under the charge of Miss Jennie S. Bertwell. The teacher's previous experience in the school enabled her, at once, to commence her work understandingly, since she was already familiar with the acquirements and dispositions of those placed under her care. From the positive character of the government and instruction with which the pupils were favored, most encouraging results were expected.

Throughout the entire year, the best of feeling existed between teacher and pupils, while a proper degree of dignity and respect was preserved. The order in the school-room and on the play ground was excellent.

The school atmosphere was quiet, calm, peaceful. Cheerfulness, vivacity and a varied style of teaching were prominent features in this school. The visitor could not fail to be impressed by the spirit of emulation among the pupils, as they tried to show which, by merit, could secure the largest share of the teacher's approbation.

The pupils, especially the older ones, were allowed to indulge in no surface work, no superficial gliding through the text books; but were expected to *understand* so far as they advanced, and to be able to answer any appropriate questions, and to give suitable explanations concerning the lessons to which they had attended.

This school is increasing in the number of its pupils from year to year. In 1884, the whole number of scholars reported was 16; in 1885, the number was 19; in 1886, the number was 28; and with the increase in number there has also been an improvement in the attendance, which was excellent during the past year, the average per cent. of daily attendance being 96.7, the highest per cent. of attendance of any school in town. This was secured through the praiseworthy efforts of both teacher and parents.

Reading, arithmetic, geography and grammar were taught in a clear, comprehensive and *practical* manner. The whole work of the school year bore the impress of a conscientious, zealous and faithful teacher.

The public examination of the school took place on Friday, the 5th of March, which was largely attended by the parents of the pupils and friends of the school, all of whom manifested an unabated interest to the close. In reading, very good improvement was noticeable. In arithmetic, the principles and rules were clearly stated, and problems put upon the blackboards with *neatness*, and solved with facility and correctness. The classes in geography responded promptly to the questions of both teacher and committee, and showed a thorough familiarity with the subject, so far as they were examined. The recitations in grammar and history were generally correct, *always prompt* and distinct. The spelling was faultless. The speaking by the little ones, and dialogue by the older pupils, conspired to make the occasion exceedingly interesting. The high hopes entertained by the committee at the

commencement of the year, were more than realized in the results of the examination.

Whole number of scholars, ...	28
Average membership, ...	18.6
" attendance, ...	18
" per cent. of daily attendance, . .	96.7
" wages of teacher per month, . .	$28

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

School Committee

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1887.

SALEM:

PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.

1887.

REPORT.

To the Citizens of Wenham:—

The Statutes of the Commonwealth prescribe that "the School Committee shall annually make a detailed report of the condition of the several public schools, which report shall contain such statements and suggestions in relation to the schools as the committee deem necessary or proper to promote the interest thereof."

In accordance, therefore, with custom and the requirements of law, the following is submitted:

In presenting the report of the schools for another year, it is fit to place on record, with gratitude to God, the fact that no interruption has been suffered in our schools in consequence of any prevailing sickness; but quietly, peacefully, prosperously, these fundamental institutions of our civil government, and of our political and social organizations, have been doing their work,—training up recruits to repair the waste of time and to fill the various places of duty, responsibility and honor in our great and growing country, which is now opened in every part to educated talent and enterprise.

No other object ordinarily receives a larger appropriation of money, none properly engages more deeply the attention and solicitude of the people, than this. The educational interests appeal directly to nearly every family; they indirectly, at least, concern every individual; for all our privileges—all that is dear in our American institutions—depend upon them.

The first law of our being—that of self-preservation—requires that these interests be tenderly cherished and bountifully provided for. No personal or local prejudice, or party feeling, should be allowed to enter our deliberations, or influence our action in these matters.

The Committee received and paid out for the maintenance of the public schools, as follows :—

Town Appropriation,	$1,400.00
State School Fund,	209.40
Dog Tax,	139.03
	$1,748.43
Paid for Teaching,	$1,513.00
" Fuel,	128.00
" Building fires and care of rooms,	66.00
	$1,707.00
Paid for books, stationery and school-room supplies,	$130.15

Number of persons in the town on the first day of May, 1886, between five and fifteen years of age, as per census taken under the direction of the School Committee, 150.

Number of public schools, 5.

Number of different pupils of all ages, in all the public schools during the school-year, 155.

Number attending within the year over fifteen years of age, 5.

Average membership of all the schools, 130.9.

Average attendance in all the public schools during the school-year, 118.

The per cent. of attendance based upon the average membership, 90.1.

The instruction of each child connected with the public schools during the year, cost the town, not including the cost of school books, supplies and interest on school property, $11.01.

TEXT BOOKS.

A change of books is ordinarily attended with some inconvenience and no small amount of censure; yet such changes are sometimes necessary as a means of keeping pace with the

progress of the age. The successful mechanic, artisan, manufacturer, laborer, etc., are all compelled to have regard to a *progressive* spirit, adopting "modern improvements." The lumbering coach becomes antiquated by the introduction of steam; cumbrous and unwieldly implements of husbandry are supplanted by improved and more valued ones, materially increasing the productiveness of labor, enhancing the resources of the individual and state, and promoting the happiness and elevation of the masses. This the shrewd business man understands, well knowing that success is largely based upon adopting improved methods and implements.

The same principles apply with equal force in the school-room. *Science is ever progressive.* The text-books of the past, or some of them, are sadly deficient in many particulars; often too diffuse, sometimes erroneous in statement of principles, or deficient in arrangement. Under such circumstances, a due regard to *economy* demands a change, that labor in the school-room may be made more *productive.*

At the commencement of the year, this subject received the attention of the committee, who were convinced that some changes were not only advisable, but absolutely necessary, and they were made, after careful examination and comparison of various authors. Such an examination involved no small amount of labor and discrimination, so great is the variety, making the selection of text-books a perplexing duty.

The adoption of Warren's geographies has proved to have been highly judicious, the books being admirably adapted to the wants of both teachers and pupils. The definitions are clear and definite, the descriptive is attractive, chaste and forcible in style; the embellishments beautiful and instructive, while the maps excel in distinctness of outline and coloring. By the introduction of the "New Franklin Series of Readers," in place of the "old series," by the same author, a deeper interest has been manifest in this important department of school labor. The instruction and exercises in logical analy-

ses, articulation, force and modulation are prominent features of the series. They precisely meet the wants of our schools.

It is not to be supposed that all of the advantages of these changes will be apparent during one year, but it is believed that coming years will demonstrate the fact that they were well made, and that the adoption of improved methods of instruction has secured, and will secure, more independent thought, a wider range of investigation, and a consequent increased mental culture.

ATTENDANCE.

Some of our schools suffer from the frequent, and, in many cases it is believed, unnecessary absence of the pupils; and the blame for this, is in a great degree due to the parents, who, perhaps, fully understand the case, but do not sufficiently reflect upon the injury they are inflicting upon their own children and upon the community, by allowing them to be irregular in attendance at school. The time usually allotted to the education of the young is sufficiently short even when sedulously devoted to mental culture, and the necessity sufficiently urgent, for intellectual power and vigor, to forbid imperatively any wanton disregard of these advantages. The duties of citizenship in *this* age demand unusual mental vigor, breadth of attainments and information. When this absence is the result of carelessness or indifference it is indeed reprehensible, and scarcely less so when it has a financial bearing. Many boys at the age of nine or twelve years, are taken from the schools that they may earn a few dollars, a sum too insignificant to compensate for the loss sustained by an absence of one-fourth of the time. While children labor for their parents, there is an idea of mutual dependence and mutual obligations, a positive claim on that parent for intellectual food and growth as much as for bodily sustenance. No parent has a right to coin mental powers into dollars and cents, when a respectable position in society, obtained by education, de-

pends upon school advantages. This matter demands consideration and correction. A word to the wise, concerning the subject, we trust will be sufficient.

WEST SCHOOL.

This school was not interrupted either on account of sickness or a change of teachers, which had been its experience during the two previous years, but throughout the year was in charge of Miss Alice A. Smith, who performed her duties in an acceptable manner. Under her instruction the school more than maintained its previous rank.

Miss Smith is a lady of large experience as a teacher, and possessed of unusual energy and perseverence.

In entering upon her duties as teacher of this school, the first thing that especially engaged her attention and required her immediate action was the government of her pupils. To the accomplishment of this, Miss Smith, at once directed her efforts. This object having been secured, by establishing order, not only in the schoolroom, but also outside in the immediate vicinity of the schoolhouse, the appropriate work of the school was prosecuted with a good degree of success.

In visiting the school it was gratifying to observe the praiseworthy devotion with which the teacher had entered upon her work. She labored faithfully and perseveringly to secure the mental growth and development of those intrusted to her care. Good order, generally secured by the mildest means and a spirit of mutual kindness and confidence between teacher and pupils, were pleasing features.

While the attendance, as compared with the previous year, was very much improved, the *occasional* appearance of some made it evident that still greater improvement may yet be made.

In consequence of the mixed character of the school, there was of necessity a large number of classes, so that a limited

time to each class was unavoidable. More attention was bestowed upon the reading than formerly and decided improvement was noticeable in the direction of a clearer and more distinct articulation with due regard to the pauses. The exercises in oral spelling were excellent, but those in written were not as good. In history, good work was done and much ground passed over; the more usual course of questions and answers was pursued instead of the consideration of subjects by their different topics.

In listening to the drill of the classes in arithmetic and grammar we felt that if something of the flesh and blood of vital interest were added to the lean framework of mere textual recitations, by new and practical examples at the black-boards, by questioning and talk upon the subject matter of the lesson, thus securing a clearer and more practical comprehension of the subject, the results obtained would have been greatly enhanced in real worth.

The recitations in geography and hygiene were usually prompt and accurate. One pupil, in addition to the regular studies, commenced the study of algebra, in which fair progress was made. The proficiency made during the year, demonstrates that the teacher labored with commendable assiduity and fidelity.

On Thursday afternoon, February 24th, the several classes of this school were examined, so far as time would permit, and gave good satisfaction to those having the school in charge. Comparing the examination with that of the previous year the progress made was very decided and satisfactory.

Whole number of scholars,	37
Average membership,	32
" attendance,	28.9
" per cent. of daily attendance,	90
" wages of teacher per month,	$36

CENTRE PRIMARY.

This school continued through the year under the charge of its former teacher, Miss Grace H. Rogers, whose fidelity and energy had given her the reputation of a successful teacher. Her acquaintance in this district and her previous experience in this school, well qualified her for this responsible position, rendering success almost certain.

Soon after the beginning of the spring term, the pupils who constituted the first class in arithmetic, of the previous year, were transferred to the grammar school, thereby relieving the somewhat crowded condition of this school-room.

Conscious of the responsibility resting upon those who direct and unfold the youthful mind, at a time when impressions are made, which the hand of time effaces last, Miss Rogers labored with zeal, sparing no effort to make the school satisfactory. In this she was highly successful. To say she did well is not enough, she *worked hard to do well.*

The large number of young pupils made the teacher's task a difficult one, rendering the employment of various expedients necessary to interest, to awaken thought, and stimulate exertion. While reading, spelling, arithmetic and geography were the prescribed exercises of the school, the teacher varied the usual course of labor by "oral instruction," in which the little ones were much interested and correspondingly benefited.

It was pleasing at the usual visits to notice the evidences of a general interest manifested by the teacher and the taught, and to witness the gradual development of mind. The order of the school was invariably good; secured, as it ordinarily was, by mild means; a resort to coercive measures was exceptional.

The careful attention given during the previous year to the reading, was continued, so that we are able to report that, from almost the youngest to the oldest, it was remarkably good. In arithmetic, both mental and written, the pupils

were *required* to give minutely every step in the operations, in analysis, thereby affording good evidence that they understood the principles stated and the work done. The oral method, which the teacher adopted in commencing the study of geography with the younger pupils, is highly approved, and was attended with excellent results. The committee would reccommend the same method in beginning the study of arithmetic, believing that better results will be secured than by the use of text books by so young a class of pupils.

The public examination of this school took place on Friday forenoon, February the 25th, and was attended by a very large number of the patrons and friends of the school, who, judging from the attention given, were thoroughly interested in the examination of the little folk. The decorations for the occasion were very neat and gave a pleasing and inviting appearance to the school-room. The examination was perfectly satisfactory. The reading was good, enunciation distinct, and sufficiently loud to be easily heard. The spelling was excellent. The recitations in arithmetic and geography were generally correct, always prompt and distinct. Time and money were here well spent.

Whole number of scholars,	38
Average membership,	33.2
" attendance,	28.9
" per cent. of daily attendance,	87
" wages of teacher per month,	$30.67

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The committee considered themselves very fortunate, when they secured as teacher of this school, Miss Carrie L. Lakeman, whose experience and acknowledged ability in teaching were regarded as good evidence of her fitness to discharge her duties faithfully and satisfactorily. Miss Lakeman's experience of the previous year in this school prepared her, at once, to commence and carry on her work, understandingly,

since she was at the beginning familiar with the dispositions and general acquirements of those placed under her government and instruction.

In visiting the school, it was pleasing to witness the apparent pleasant feeling that existed between the teacher and her pupils, and the interest of the latter in their studies.

The tests applied to the classes in arithmetic showed a familiarity, on the part of the pupils, with rules and principles and their application to practical examples in that branch of study; the class in history usually recited well and gave evidence of a good understanding of the ground studied. The same may be said of the two grammar classes. There was need of more genuineness, so to speak, in reading,—giving up false inflections and abstaining from unnatural pauses, a strong temptation in some scholars, as though the rules had mastered the feeling that underlies them. Distinctness, too, and volume of tone should have been more fully and persistently cultivated, and especially the former, because of the largeness of the school-room.

This school remained under the care of Miss Lakeman through the spring and fall terms, but during the week of vacation, at the close of the fall term, very much to the surprise and regret of the committee, she accepted the position as teacher in another locality and resigned.

In parting with her the patrons of the school felt that they had lost a faithful teacher; one alike capable as an instructress and disciplinarian. With such feelings toward a retiring teacher, her successor almost necessarially labors at a disadvantage.

The vacancy was filled by Miss M. Etta Larkin, of Woburn, Mass., who came very highly recommended as a teacher of ability in the conduct and instruction of the evening schools of Woburn, in which she had been employed, and which constituted most of her experience in teaching. In entering on this new field of labor, it was evident that Miss Larkin was

anxious that the school should fully sustain its former position, and to accomplish this, she gave her undivided attention. She was accurate and thorough in her method of imparting instruction. Clear in her explanations, versatile in her illustrations, she succeeded in making her classes understand the *principles*, as well as the general topics of the branches pursued.

On visiting the school soon after its commencement, the committee observed a few things connected with the general management that needed correction, to which attention was kindly directed. The suggestions were as kindly received, and the errors referred to, at once corrected, rendering subsequent visits occasions of real pleasure, by becoming acquainted with the nature of the work done and the manner in which it was accomplished. The discipline of the school was good and the scholars, though accustomed to close application, uniformly appeared cheerful and happy. The adoption of *method* in every part of her work, prompt measures securing ready obedience, combined with industry and earnestness, produced their legitimate fruits. General improvement was manifest. There was special attention given to reading, which was rewarded by more distinctness and appreciativeness in this exercise. In history, excellent work was accomplished, the recitations being by topics instead of by questions. Some attention was given to drawing, with commendable results. The instruction in all of the branches was thorough, and well adapted to develop and mature the reasoning faculties.

The exercises at the examination, which was held on Friday, March the 4th, and attended by a very large number of the parents and friends of the school, afforded abundant evidence of the industry, patience, and "tact" of the teacher, both in instructing and governing her school.

All of the classes appeared well; promptness and accuracy were prominent features. Where all was good it seems need-

less to particularize, but the thoroughness and superiority of the recitations in grammar and history were noted with much gratification. The exercises were interspersed with declamations, readings and calisthenics, all of which were pleasingly given. We should do injustice not to pronounce this school a *success*.

Whole number of scholars,	32
Average membership,	28.5
" attendance,	25.7
" per cent. of daily attendance,	90
" wages of teacher per month,	$36

NECK SCHOOL.

It would be well if every teacher who follows one who has been successful, and left the school in a progessive condition, would pursue the same course that Miss Minnie J. Foster, of Topsfield, did upon assuming the duties of teacher in this district.

While Miss Foster possessed clear and well defined views as to the manner of conducting the routine of school work, she, at the outset, made herself familiar with the management of the school, while under the care of her predecessor. In the beginning she followed the general order of conducting the school room work, with which the pupils had been familiar; and then as she became acquainted with the pupils, she gradually made such changes as would bring the management and government of the school in perfect harmony with her own individual ideas of what her school must be, in order to secure the best results. The wisdom of such a course cannot be too highly commended. For the change from the instruction and government of one teacher, to the instruction and government of another,—each excellent in her individuality,—was so gradual that one in visiting the school would scarcely believe that there had been a change of teachers. Miss Fos-

ter took up the work just where Miss Dodge left off, so that the scholars lost neither time nor interest in consequence of a change of teachers.

Miss Foster is a lady well adapted to the work of teaching, a good scholar and disciplinarian. In her method of teaching she was not confined to the text book—using it merely as a means toward the development of a subject. The manner in which she conducted her recitations, clearly manifested that she thoroughly comprehended, not only the scope, but also the minutiæ of the subject treated, and thus it was by no means difficult to convey in a lucid manner, correct ideas, leaving vivid impressions.

The reading here was better than the average, in the direction of distinctness, spirit and sensibility; in some cases there was the higher quality of imaginative sympathy, and manifest appreciation.

The written arithmetic, both text work and explanations at the board, showed faithful labor on the part of the teacher and the taught; reasons for every step in the operations being required. The classes in geography did some excellent work in map-drawing. Grammar, history, physiology, algebra, spelling and defining, together with drawing and writing, each received its appropriate share of time and attention in the every day work of the school room, and the results realized were excellent.

The closing examination of this school, which, with all its excellence, was only a repetition of what transpired essentially every day, was highly satisfactory to all present, and left but little, if anything, to be desired. It was a fine exhibit of the year's school work, and reflected great credit upon teacher and taught.

Whole number of scholars, . . .	23
Average membership, ...	17.8
" attendance, ...	15.9
" per cent. of daily attendance, .	89.3
" wages of teacher per month, .	$36.00

EAST SCHOOL.

This was the third year of the connection of Miss Jennie S. Bertwell with this school. The results of the past year gave unmistakable evidence that her labors resulted in elevating the general standard of attainment.

The government was of a positive type, that calculated to secure implicit obedience. On becoming familiar with the regular routine of the exercises of the school, and the manner in which they were performed, it was evident that it had not lost any of the progressive spirit for which it had been distinguished during the previous years, but that a deeper and more lively interest had been awakened in both teacher and pupils.

The lessons were well studied and promptly recited. More than the usual attention was devoted to spelling, writing and grammar; the result of this increased attention was an excellent degree of attainment. There was no apparant want of interest in any of the prescribed studies.

A gratifying feature of this school, and one indicative of its progressive character, was the improvement in the regularity of attendance since it has been under the charge of Miss Bertwell. This will be apparent by a comparison. During the year ending March, 1885, the per cent. of daily attendance was 96.3; that of 1886 was 96.7; and that of the past year 97.9, a progress in the right direction.

The discipline was quiet and firm; the order, excellent; the instruction lucid and logical,—in few words, and adapted to awaken thought and enable the scholars to state principles and reasons as well as to understand them. Thoroughness and critical accuracy in everything were here the rule, and this of necessity as a result of the teacher's own character and mental habits. This was as it should be.

Those who have made themselves familiar, by personal inspection or otherwise, with the daily routine work and drill of this school, since it has been under the care of Miss Bert-

well, cannot but have been impressed with the fact, that the general tone and character of the school as related to order, discipline and intellectual development, has been greatly elevated and improved.

If there was one thing to be criticized here, it was a little hurry and consequent want of distinctness in some recitations. This undoubtedly was less apparent to the teacher, familiar as she was with the voices of her pupils, and the technicalities of their studies.

At the examination the recitations were prompt and animated. In arithmetic, mental and written, and also in algebra, the examples were stated with precision, and performed, for the most part, with accuracy. The reading was fair; spelling excellent. In geography and history the answers were promptly and correctly given.

The parents of this district may well congratulate themselves that the advantages of this school were within their possession.

Whole number of scholars, ...	25
Average membership, ...	19.4
" attendance, ...	18.6
" per cent. of daily attendance, . .	96.7
" wages of teacher per month, . .	$30

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REPORT.

The School Committee of Wenham submit to the town the following report :—

In reviewing the events and progress of the school year now closed, there is abundant occasion for devout acknowledgment and a general recognition of a superintending Providence, appropriate in all circumstances, but particularly so in reference to interests involving considerations of vital importance.

Although our schools have fallen very far short of perfection, and have failed to attain even that degree of excellence which we may yet expect of them, still the improvement was such as to make their future prospects encouraging. The teachers, as a whole, have been true to their trusts, laboring with a commendable zeal and efficiency, while the outward circumstances and material relations have been favorable to a year of mental growth and development.

The Committee received and paid out for the maintenance of the public schools, as follows :—

Town appropriation,	$1,400.00
State school fund,	210.16
Dog tax,	163.00
	$1,773.16
Paid for teaching,	$1,507.50
" fuel,	115.25
" building fires and care of rooms,	67.65
	$1,690.40
Paid for books, stationery and school-room supplies,	$121.09

Number of persons in town on the first day of May, 1887,

between five and fifteen years of age, as per census taken under the direction of the School Committee, 155.

Number of public schools, 5.

Number of different pupils of all ages, in all the public schools during the school year, 142.

Number attending within the year over fifteen years of age, 12.

Average membership of all the schools, 115.

Average attendance in all the public schools during the school year, 101.

The per cent. of attendance based upon the average membership, 87.9.

The instruction of each child connected with the public schools during the year cost the town, including the cost of school books and supplies, but not the interest on the school property or repairs upon the school buildings, $12.757.

The Committee have visited the schools as often as once each calendar month and some of them oftener, according to their peculiar need.

One feature—a characteristic temptation of many schools, perhaps,—we have been seeking gradually, and as wisely as we knew, to change, viz., a too exclusive reliance upon mere memorization and routine.

Memory is most plastic in the child and youth, and should then be faithfully trained. But memory should not be the scape-goat of every other faculty. Mere parrotry cannot make a good school in the eye of any intelligent visitor, and a recitation of rules, that cannot abide the trial of extemporized examples at the board, is not a recitation of the best kind certainly, or one which will promote the object our schools are expected to attain; neither is the scholar, who stumbles at a change in the usual form of a question or subsides in quick amazement at an interrogation perfectly germane and natural, and requiring but a little self-possession, good sense, or the habit of thought to answer, being prepared for the active duties of life.

NON-ATTENDANCE.

As citizens of Massachusetts, we are proud of our system of public schools, the characteristic feature of which is that it furnishes the means of education to all classes, to the children of its most honored citizens, its wealthiest men, and those living in comparative obscurity and destitution—all alike sharing the ennobling and elevating influences of mental culture. This is based on the supposition that those who bear the burdens of government, who shoulder the musket in its defence, have a *bona fide* claim for its favors, that, in the language of the wise law-giver of ancient times, "the children are less the property of their parents than the State." It is also a well-established principle that "prevention is better and easier than cure." These children will be educated somewhere—in the school-room, in well ordered and virtuous families—or in the streets. They will be taught in the school-room, cherished and sustained by the fostering care of the State, intellectually fed from the public treasury, or sustained and restrained in the various places of confinement and punishment, at a far greater expenditure than in our common schools. The State assumes the attitude of self defence, demanding that all of her sons and daughters shall be placed in our schools, and there receive instruction,—mental and moral,—intended not only to call into activity the more ennobling intellectual faculties, increasing mental and moral powers, but to bring the lower nature into subjection to the higher. This it has the right to do as the guardian of society. Accordingly it enacts restraining laws, affixes penalties, appoints truant officers, etc., on the supposition that there is an intimate relation between the education of the masses and public morals. As a general principle, the educated are enterprising and self-supporting, while the ignorant descend to their level in the almshouse, the prison, and similar institutions, most of which have been established as a consequence of defective early education.

Again, society suffers, not only from the absence of the productiveness of its ignorant citizens, but from their influence over others, by the power of example, while truants and absentees necessarily restrain others from enjoying the advantages of free school by a like power of example, thus abridging the rights of their associates, creating a dislike for school labors and disciplinary restraints. The attention of our citizens is therefore directed to the fact that there is a lamentable irregularity of attendance, and worse, that there are some who seldom or never attend our schools. It is believed that such children are detained, a part or all of the time, either from the absence of interest in them or from an inability of their parents to compel attendance. Practically it matters but little which. If kept from school that they may be a source of gain, it is bad economy, since the accumulation of one dollar in this manner necessitates the loss of a larger sum in the future. It is evident from the school registers that far too many in our midst are thus deprived of their rights as prospective citizens. Ignorance is allied to crime; and as the statistics of our penitentiaries show, "criminal manhood is neglected childhood." Such neglect virtually frustrates, in some measure, the great object of our system—the education of the masses. While our laws demand that the parent shall give to his child the opportunity for mental improvement, shall educate him *somewhere*, in the public schools or by private instruction, it becomes the manifest duty, the imperative duty of the guardians of the young to see that this requirement is complied with faithfully. The demand of the State in this regard is imperative, and while the parent has the right to elect *where* his child shall be educated, whether in a public or private school, he has *no right to elect between* IGNORANCE and EDUCATION.

It is believed that the appointment of judicious truant officers would do much to remove this evil, and that such officials should receive the sanction and encouragement of every

order-loving and law-abiding citizen. Let the truant law, like all necessary ones, be *enforced*, fearlessly and judiciously, yet ENFORCED. Of course, stringent measures should be preceded by persuasive efforts,—every rational means of interesting both parents and children in the cause of education; but if such means shall prove unavailing, as they *may* in some instances, let all feel that the law *must* be honored, and the offenders brought to justice, not as a personal infliction, but for the promotion of the general good. In this, the good, the order-loving, will coincide. The object sought is worthy of serious thought and prompt action. It contemplates, in the first place, the reformation of truants and other idle children; and in the next place, the bringing back to a more constant attendance pupils really belonging to the schools, but attending very irregularly on account of detention by their parents at home, or from other causes.

EAST SCHOOL.

In this school, the continued services of the tried and approved teacher, Miss Jennie S. Bertwell, have insured another year of commendable progress.

After four years spent in the same district, the teacher has established a character which is not dependent upon annually repeated commendation. It may, in short, be said however, that the school has lost none of the energetic and progressive character for which it has been distinguished in previous years. The teacher and scholars have labored together with an apparent love for the work in which they were engaged.

It was pleasing to notice, at the usual visits, the enthusiasm and energy manifested in learning and reciting the lessons; to observe the correct position assumed by the pupils, their attention to the recitations, the care to avoid all unnecessary noise in their movements while passing from place to place; indicative of the fact that the pupils were governed as well as instructed.

The foundation stones, so to speak, so often laid in the school-room, cannot be laid too carefully, since, unlike those of an ordinary material structure, these must remain. In this respect Miss Bertwell was highly successful.

In consequence of the school being ungraded there was necessarily a large number of classes, viz: five in reading, four in spelling, five in arithmetic, one in algebra, two in geography, two in grammar, two in history, and two in physiology. Special care was given to secure good reading, and a marked degree of progress was manifest. An improvement was observed in articulation, the consonant sounds being distinctly heard. The marked interest in the study of grammar—observed in this school the previous year—is believed to have increased with the lapse of time, resulting in a very decided progress. The study of geography was rendered more attractive and practical by the practice of map drawing. This branch of the study promotes mathematical correctness and gives a clearer idea of the country delineated than could be acquired from the simple use of the text book.

In teaching arithmetic the analytical method was very generally adopted. The facility with which the pupils would write out every step in the solution of their examples gave unmistakable evidence that they thoroughly understood that portion of the arithmetic under consideration. Commendable work was done in history and physiology, both as to quantity and quality.

The visitor notes the cheerfulness, kindness, vivacity and earnest devotion to the school, which gives an inspiring tone to the very atmosphere of the school-room.

The interest felt in the children has sustained a corresponding interest on their part and made the mutual relations *generally* pleasant; the discipline and deportment were uniformly excellent.

The examination at the close, which was held on Wednesday, Feb. 22d, was highly satisfactory. The proficiency of

the scholars in all of the studies to which they had attended, as well as the *quality* of the instruction received by them, was thoroughly tested. The explanations given by the pupils in arithmetic and algebra were clear, logical and full. The recitations in history, physiology and geography, including some fine map-drawing upon the blackboards, were excellent. The teacher is deserving of commendation for her well-directed efforts, and the pupils for their regularity, co-operation and industry.

WEST SCHOOL.

The Committee gave Miss Alice A. Smith, the teacher of the previous year, the offer of the school, which she declined, and Miss M. Etta Larkin was engaged to fill the vacancy. Miss Larkin was not altogether a stranger to either the Committee or the patrons of the school, she having taught the grammar school during the previous winter term. At the first visit to the school, it was apparent that a pleasant feeling existed between the teacher and her pupils, foreshadowing agreeable relations in the prosecution of the school work. Energy, efficiency and a happy adaptation to school routine, distinguished Miss Larkin's services during the summer term and rendered them valuable. She labored indefatigably for success, and her efforts were not in vain.

Each of the prescribed studies received its appropriate share of attention. In the department of reading, the teacher was unwearied in her efforts to secure correct pronunciation, distinctness of articulation and a proper regard to the pauses. In arithmetic the more usual course of first memorizing the rules, whenever the pupils commenced a new subject, was disregarded and they were required to formulate their rules from practical work performed upon the blackboards. The youngest class in this branch used no text book, the teacher preferring to instruct them orally, in which those

having the school in charge, fully concurred. In spelling, both the oral and written methods were practised. In the study of geography, Miss Larkin was very fortunate in awakening a deep and intelligent interest by her word pictures of the country or such portions of the earth's surface as were under consideration at the time of recitation.

The teacher made a most commendable effort to impress upon her pupils the necessity of speaking the English language correctly, and so gave more time and attention to the important study of grammar, and her efforts were not without beneficial results. Such was the every day work of the school during the first term, and so we looked forward most hopefully to the results of the year's labor.

The fall term commenced Aug. 22. On visiting the school soon after its opening it was pleasing to note that teacher and pupils had taken up their work with the same apparent interest of the previous term, increasing the hopes already entertained for this school.

Shortly after this Miss Larkin asked to be released from her engagement, as teacher, which request was granted. After being out of school two days she desired to re-engage for the remainder of the school year, and the contract was made and considered definitely settled.

On the third visit, a marked change was noticeable, a change in the wrong direction,—for which the pupils are not held responsible. There was evidently a want of interest on the part of the teacher and a listlessness and inattention on the part of the scholars. The lessons were poorly prepared, and as a natural consequence, but indifferently recited. The attention of the teacher was specially called to the condition of the school, and the necessity of a radical change pointed out, if she would have her school work a success.

When within three weeks of the close of the fall term Miss Larkin left without assigning any reason for such a course. The school was closed for one week, when Miss Ella M. Pack-

ard from the Boston Teachers' Agency was placed in charge of the school, completing the term. During these two weeks it became very apparent that the West School was not Miss Packard's field of labor.

The winter term was taught by Miss Tentie W. Jenkins, of West Barnstable, who is a lady of experience as a teacher, and whose method of imparting instruction is clear and concise. In visiting the school it was evident she was mistress of the situation. Her pupils soon learned that her word was law—a law of the Medes and Persians. It was soon evident that the selection of teacher was a fortunate one; the school improved steadily while under her care.

At the closing examination, which took place on Thursday, Feb. 23d, and was attended by many of the parents and friends of the district, the classes appeared well and the pupils reflected much credit upon their teacher, from their familiarity with what they had done in the different branches of study. Time and labor were well employed, and the results very satisfactory.

CENTRE PRIMARY.

This school continued through the summer term under the direction of Miss Grace H. Rogers, who fully realized the expectations which were warranted by the experience of the preceding year. Her industry, tact in managing, aptness of illustration, naturally secured the interest and regard of her pupils, resulting in satisfactory mental progress.

The order was invariably good, the tone cheerful and pleasant, and the instruction clear, critical and thorough. Much care was taken to teach the elements of reading correctly; full strong tones, clear and correct utterance were noticeable. The free use made of the blackboard in teaching the multiplication table was attended with the most satisfactory results. In all respects this was a pleasant and

successful school. The willing and patient labors of the teacher were generally duly seconded by the scholars and their friends.

At the close of the term Miss Rogers resigned, and the school was taught during the fall term by Miss Harriet A. Allen, of Hamilton, a lady well qualified for her position in reference to literary attainments, but who was wholly inexperienced. Her efforts to sustain the preceding rank of the school were persistent and untiring.

At the commencement of the term the teacher was more interested in the *instruction* of her pupils than in the general management and care of her school—in the discipline. This is by no means unusual, when kindness of heart and sympathy are prominent characteristics. Yet experience has proved that something beside mere kindness of heart and moral suasion is requisite in the successful training of the young. Understanding this fact, the teacher zealously exerted herself in her efforts to *govern*, as well as instruct her school, in which she was but partially successful.

In becoming acquainted with the condition of the school by visiting from time to time, it was apparent that a change of teachers had resulted in a change in the condition of the school which was not favorable. While we would not criticise the method of instruction, we would say that the discipline was not effective; the order varied, and, though sometimes fairly good, was not always such as to make the act of teaching easy and pleasant. Idleness, restlessness and want of neatness in the school room were too prevalent. Annoyed by those who were more ready to play than study, the teacher's patience did not always prove to be inexhaustible; and much time was lost in efforts to secure better deportment. Hence, though Miss Allen's literary qualifications are excellent, and her perception of a subject and ability to state it clearly of a high order, yet her success in this school was not what was anticipated.

At the beginning of the winter term, Mrs. Amos Gould resumed her old work in the school under a new name. Shakespeare has said, "What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet," and we would say, that Miss Rogers as Mrs. Gould was the same quiet, firm, successful teacher. The pupils at once recognized the power to control as well as to instruct, and gave themselves unhesitatingly to the proper work of the schoolroom. Good order, diligence in study, promptness and accuracy in recitations were prominent characteristic features of the school. Teacher and pupils are deserving of commendation for their efforts in furnishing their schoolroom with new curtains and fixtures, which have greatly improved its appearance; and it is hoped that other schools may emulate their example.

At the examination of the school, held on Friday, Feb. 24, the several classes appeared to good advantage, their general accuracy and promptness evincing the faithfulness and diligence of the teacher and her pupils. The exercises were interspersed with appropriate singing and speaking, and were listened to with marked interest by the many patrons and friends of the school who were present. The examination was very satisfactory and justly commended.

NECK SCHOOL.

This school was continued under the charge of Miss Minnie J. Foster, who occupied the same position during the preceding year.

On visiting the school it was evident that the teacher did not base her future success on her past attainments, but that "progress" was her watchword; believing as she did that success implies untiring assiduity, and that mental discipline is made more dependent upon application and industry than on mere mental endowments. Fruitful in expedients to

encourage and stimulate her pupils to aspire to still higher mental attainments, she secured an unusual amount of study and an unusual degree of uniformity of scholarship.

It is quite common to find some in a school of this grade, who do not desire to become scholars, and are not affected by the usual incentives to vigorous effort, but if there were any of this class, they were brought to the requisite standard with much skill. Few schools can show a more uniform grade of attainments in the several classes than can be seen here during the whole year. A clear perception of what is desirable in a school, an apparently easy, cheerful, and thorough discipline, facility and dispatch in teaching all that legitimately belongs to the lessons, no complaint of "want of time" to do all that is required, and variety, vivacity, promptness and accuracy in the recitations were prominent features of the school.

One thing among the many that might be specified, is deserving of special commendation, viz., the correct position of the pupils and their close attention at the time of recitation; the quiet orderly manner in which they entered and left the school-room; the military promptness and accuracy which was enforced, helping to accustom the mind to the harness of discipline.

The study of geography was taught in a thoroughly practical manner. In describing the general features of any state or country, the pupils would take their places at the blackboards, and, chalk in hand, would begin to draw the outlines, as orally they described them, and locate the town, cities, rivers, mountains, etc., as they named them, insuring thus a better comprehension of the portions studied; this training ensures a quick adaptation of knowledge, which is far better than merely training the memory, which should be used and not abused. The youngest class in arithmetic was taught orally, in both mental and written work, and with excellent results. Grammar has received the attention due

to its importance, and not only has the "text" been carefully studied, but the rules and principles have been applied to parsing and analysis. Excellent work was done in history, the recitations were mostly by topics instead of by questions, and the interest was greatly increased by allowing the pupils to question each other on the portion under consideration. In reading, and the advanced classes in arithmetic, the careful attention given the previous year, was continued. In spelling both the oral and written methods were employed.

Uninterrupted harmony, cheerfulness, and good will prevailed, and the most happy relations have existed between teacher and pupils, while the teacher has had the full sympathy and co-operation of all the parents. Hence the success of this school has been complete.

The public examination was held on Friday, Feb. 24, and was attended by a large number of the parents and friends of the school. The examination of the classes in arithmetic and grammar clearly showed that principles had been fixed in the mind only as they had been understood, and not merely lodged there by the power of memory. In conducting the classes in history and geography, the method was somewhat varied from that ordinarily pursued, the scholars examining each other, and it is but just to say that the examination was most thorough and elicited much admiration on account of its novelty. In all of the studies in which the pupils were examined, they were prompt and clear in their statement of principles and facts, indicative of a conscious ability. It is safe to affirm that an examination seldom occurs more thorough, impartial and satisfactory. The occasion furnished unmistakable evidence that education in its true sense had been the object constantly in view, and to teacher and scholars, we say, well done.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

At the commencement of the year, this school was assigned to Miss Ida G. Rust, of Topsfield, a lady well qualified by intellectual culture for the important position of a teacher of the youth. Though Miss Rust was not wholly inexperiencd as a teacher, she having been appointed as a substitute in the primary department of District No. 2, Danversport, the preceding term, yet this was her first attempt at teaching in a school of this grade.

Miss Rust commenced in this new field of labor with the evident purpose to make the school a thorough success. To accomplish this she gave her undivided attention to her school, regarding the intellectual development of those under her care as a matter of absolute importance. Miss Rust soon learned the condition of the school and the wants of her pupils, and labored assiduously to advance them in all of the required studies. There was evidently a *conscientious* effort on her part to make the instruction practical and thorough. The discipline of the school was generally good, though the best of order was not always secured without a recourse to coercive measures. These, however, were rendered necessary principally, if not wholly, by the absence of a proper sympathy and co-operation with the teacher. There was an apparent disposition on the part of some of the pupils to rely altogether too much on the teacher for direct assistance, instead of putting forth individual efforts to overcome difficulties in their lessons. This rendered the pupils less positive in their statements at the time of recitation.

The teacher was accurate and thorough in her method of instruction. In arithmetic, the principles were clearly presented and the reasons definitely given. Good proficiency was apparent in the study of geography and still better in that of grammar and history. The condition of the school as shown by tests applied at the time of visiting it was generally satisfactory.

During the summer vacation Miss Rust resigned, and the vacancy was filled by Miss Emma L. Nason, of Ipswich, a good scholar, and a teacher of some experience.

When Miss Nason took charge of this school it was in good condition, and it seemed her design that it should fully sustain its former position.

On visiting the school at the beginning of the fall term, it was found to be smaller than usual, as all but two of the first class had left; some to attend the high schools at Newburyport and Salem, and others, it is presumed, to be employed at home. It was quite apparent that the school was somewhat depressed in consequence of the withdrawal of the class of older pupils, as it took from it the inspiration which a number of advanced pupils naturally inspire.

The method of instruction was progressive and practical. During the fall term there was not that close individual application to school work that was needed in order to secure the best mental results.

In visiting the school at the commencement of the winter term, it was apparent that teacher and scholars were more thoroughly in earnest and gave themselves to the accomplishment of their school duties with a zeal that foreshadowed excellent results.

In the study of geography free use was made of the blackboards in map drawing. In arithmetic the pupils were able by the explanation of their problems to furnish evidence that they were trained to habits of thought. The work done in language was highly commendable. The pupils were required to write sentences as the teacher dictated, and these were criticised by teacher and scholars as to the proper use of capitals, marks of punctuation, etc., in which exercise much interest was manifested and decided improvement made. Good work was done in history, physiology, hygiene, algebra, and physical geography.

The attendance of most of the pupils was good; but there was a culpable remissness on the part of a few.

The examination at the close, which was held on Tuesday, Feb. 28th, was very satisfactory. The proficiency of the scholars in all of the studies to which they had attended, as well as the *quality* of the instruction received by them, were well tested. In regard to all of the branches taught a good report could be given. Teacher and pupils were justly commended for the work they had accomplished.

Some of the scholars left the school just before the examination. It is to be hoped that this practice will *not* be continued, for it is as *discreditable* to the absentees as it is injurious to the school. The same remark applies to the primary department.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH,

1889.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
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REPORT.

The School Committee of Wenham respectfully submit the following report :—

The Committee received and paid out for the maintenance of the public schools, as follows :—

Town appropriation,	$1,500.00
State school fund,	287.07
Dog tax,	148.50
	$1,935.57
Paid for teaching,	$1,560.50
" fuel,	119.87
" building fires and care of rooms,	80.16
	$1,760.53
Paid for books, stationery and school-room supplies,	$99.70

Number of persons in town on the first day of May, 1888, between five and fifteen years of age, 145.

Number of public schools, 5.

Number of different pupils of all ages, in all the public schools during the year, 145.

Number attending within the year over fifteen years of age, 4.

Average membership of all the schools, 105.6.

Average attendance in all the public schools during the year, 95.3.

The per cent. of attendance based upon the average membership, 90.2.

The instruction of each child connected with the public schools during the year cost the town, including the cost of

school books and supplies, but not the interest on the school property or repairs upon the school buildings, $12.829.

Upon a careful review of the condition of the schools during the past year, there is cause for congratulation. There has been good progress in most of them, while in some there have been valuable and decided improvements. It is not to be supposed that all the teachers have made the same progress, that all have labored with the same zeal and fidelity, presenting at the close of the year the same evidences of success, in governing and in instructing. All have not the same ability, experience and tact. There has been a commendable yet generous spirit of rivalry among the teachers, a wish to excel, resulting in elevating the general standard of acquirements, yet perfection has not been attained.

Before proceeding to a detailed report, we desire to direct attention to influences affecting the condition and welfare of our schools, present and prospective.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

In mental, as in physical labor, success is made largely dependent upon persevering industry, consecutive effort. The labor of one hundred days is not ordinarily performed in fifty, or by listless irregularity. The mechanic who is absent from his bench for a single day learns that such absence implies a discontinuance of progress. Matter and mind, in a certain sense, move only as they are moved by exterior forces.

In the school-room *success* is far more dependent upon industry and continued effort than is ordinarily supposed. The best scholars are by no means all geniuses. Promptness, energy, unflagging industry, concentration of effort, and regular attendance, with only moderate mental endowments, are sure to win laurels. That pupil only succeeds, under ordinary circumstances, who is prompt and regular in attendance. An absence from every fifth, tenth or twentieth lesson constitutes a loss which none can afford—certianly not those of

limited means. As well may the laborer demand compensation when absent from his employment, as for the parent whose children are irregular in attendance to expect the usual progress in study. A lesson omitted is a lesson lost. If the aggregate lessons of a term are valuable, *each one* is relatively important. The loss primarily considered, however, comprises only a part of the real, practical loss. An omitted lesson involves not only a loss of what might have been secured—the knowledge and mental discipline—but presents other difficulties, particularly when the elements of science are so closely related or connected that the understanding of one presupposes a knowledge of another. For example, ignorance of the principles of *fractions*, will render proficiency in the more advanced subjects utterly impossible. It follows that a lesson imperfectly learned or wholly omitted, a subject but partially investigated, necessarily retard the progress of the pupil, to say the least, while sad discouragement and utter failure are quite usual.

But these evils are not confined to the principal offenders. Absence not only retards the progress of the absentee, but directly and indirectly affects the whole school. The time consumed in explaining a principle of a preceding lesson, lost by absence, is so much unjustly taken from the whole class; and yet the labor must be performed to avoid constantly recurring difficulties in the future. The time of the teacher belongs to the *class* and not particularly to a delinquent member. A pupil thus absent is an *incubus*, and justice demands that he should be transferred to a lower class, where he may learn more successfully, the feelings of the parents to the contrary notwithstanding. This would be of mutual advantage, since it would prevent the unnecessary expenditure of the teacher's time in repeating previous labors and explanations, and at the same time really benefit the absentee. Premature promotions to a higher class, or retaining one in a class of superior attainments, when such a pupil is unable to

understand the principles involved and of course unqualified to proceed successfully, is rank injustice, *particularly* to the inferior or dull scholar.

The school records, in some instances, indicate a fault in this respect, an evil capable of removal. We appeal to the parents to reflect upon the importance of this matter and prevent, as far as possible, the many "black marks" on the register. If there is an absence of twenty *per cent.* it is evident that the true loss is even greater, that connected with future difficulties and those relating to the school as a whole, included. And while the patrons of the schools would justly censure the public servant for wasting or misappropriating one-fourth of the school funds, in no very mild terms, we respectfully earnestly request them to cooperate with us in the abatement of a manifest evil, reducing, so far as possible, what we cannot but regard as an unnecessary amount of tardiness and absence. It is believed that most of this absence —save that resulting from sickness and unfavorable weather— might be avoided. Will not parents consult their own interests in this matter—promoting the general good—by making a special effort to secure punctual attendance, even though it may cost some little sacrifice and inconvenience?

EAST SCHOOL.

For the entire period during which Miss Jennie S. Bertwell, of Ossipee, N. H., has had charge of this school, it has deserved and received favorable notice, yet at no time has it demanded more special commendation than during the year just closed. Though the past year completes the fifth of her connection with this school, there has been a steady progress, —no abatement of the interest or the zeal of the teacher, who understands well the art of interesting her pupils in their studies, and of teaching them to acquire those habits of order and thoroughness which are so essential to real progress.

Conscientious, faithful and earnest in her labors, the influ-

ence of her example was in a high degree salutary. There appeared to be a perfect harmony of feeling existing between teacher and scholars. While obedience was sought and secured, the teacher's chief object seemed to be to secure thoroughness in the studies and promptness in the recitations, in which efforts she was eminently successful.

The distinguishing features of this school were order, attention to study, promptness and vivacity, while the schoolroom was always found in a neat and inviting condition.

Pupils, in pursuing their studies, often meet with difficulties which must be removed as an indispensable condition of further progress. It is pleasing to be able to say that this labor was faithfully and wisely performed by the teacher, who, instead of personally and directly removing the difficulties, assisted the children by a few timely suggestions to solve their own, thereby teaching them to rely more upon themselves and less upon the teacher in the preparation of their daily lessons.

The relations of the teacher to her pupils were of a gratifying character—calculated to inspire mutual confidence, regard and respect,—an atmosphere in which we might reasonably, if not necessarily, expect cheerful and zealous effort, and consequent progress. It was evident that there was a steady and gratifying increase of interest from the commencement of the year till its close, with a corresponding progress in the studies pursued.

The attendance was uniformly good,—alike creditable to the teacher for the interest inspired, and to the pupils for a generous response and cooperation. Under such circumstances, when the teacher brings to her position a conscientious regard for the progress of her charge, industry, ability and love for her profession, seconded by the efforts of her pupils, a commendable progress is reasonably certain.

More than the usual attention was devoted to spelling and defining. In reading, much care was given to secure a clear,

distinct articulation and correct emphasis. The method pursued in conducting the recitations in geography added greatly to the interest in this branch of study. This in brief was, first, the recitation by questions and answers of the regular lesson; second, the drawing of outline maps upon the blackboards without the use of the text book; and third, the practical application of the lesson by sending a pupil to the board, requesting some member of the class to name a river, mountain, city or large town which the pupil was expected to locate on the map. Such practical tests are highly commendable. In regard to all the branches taught a good report could be given.

To those who availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the school while performing its daily work, and to the numerous visitors at the public examination, which took place on Wednesday afternoon of Feb. 27th, the school has spoken for itself. The recitations of the classes furnished unmistakable evidence that they have received thorough and critical instruction. While it is not our purpose to speak of the school in full detail, it is but just to speak of the recitations in spelling and geography, together with that in history, as of peculiar excellence. The recitation in analysis and parsing was no less pleasing. In writing, marked improvement was apparent, and the specimens of map-drawing were excellent. Those who addressed the school spoke in terms of high commendation.

Not absent during the Summer term—Lillian J. Williams, Alice A. Preston. Fall term—Louis H. Preston, Lillian J. Williams. Winter term—Lizzie D. Preston, Louis H. Preston. During the year—Florence M. Stillman, Bessie F. Williams. The last two were not absent during the past *five* years.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This department was under the charge of Miss Emma L. Nason, of Ipswich, whose experience and previous connection with the school were natural guarantees of success. The progress made during the year demonstrated the fact that the teacher labored, not only with commendable assiduity and fidelity, but with good results. She was accurate and thorough in her method of imparting instruction, and succeeded in making her pupils understand the principles as well as the general topics of the branches pursued.

The government was of a positive type that calculated to secure implicit obedience. The school was in all respects well conducted. Most of the pupils were industrious and intent upon steady progress. As a necessary result, the year was marked by fair improvement in the school, regarded as a whole. Irregularity of attendance throughout the year was a serious injury to this school. The evils arising from this cause are great and imperatively demand the efforts of the school board and the co-operation of parents in devising and executing effectual means to prevent them in the future.

The school, when visited, was invariably in a good working condition. The teacher's efforts, judiciously and productively employed, awakened an increased interest and zeal in the prosecution of school requirements, at least among most of the pupils. The number of classes in the school were: Three in arithmetic; three in reading and spelling; two in hygiene; three in geography; two in language; and one in grammar. The work of the year in the branches studied by the respective classes was as follows, viz: The first class in arithmetic, percentage through bank discount, omitting stocks; second class, common and decimal fractions; third class, miscellaneous work in long division, tables, common fractions to division; the first class in geography, Asia, Africa and Polynesia; second class, United States in the small book and

South America in the large one; third class, through United States from the beginning of the book; the class in grammar, parsing and analysis of simple, compound and complex sentences and some work in punctuation and composition; the classes in language, writing sentences from dictation, use of capitals and marks of punctuation.

It will be readily seen by those familiar with school labor that there was no deficiency in quantity, while those who have made themselves familiar with the every day work of the school, by personal visits, and an examination into its daily working condition, were convinced unquestionably that the quality was satisfactory. Special care was given to the reading exercises, which were attended by good results, as seen in more distinct utterance, more regard to proper inflection, more deliberation and care in respect to the pauses than formerly. The instruction in arithmetic was thorough and practical, in the recitation of which the various principles and rules were distinctly stated and questions solved upon the blackboards with dexterity and accuracy. The work in language was a continuance of that which had been so well begun the year preceding, and the results realized were highly gratifying.

The closing examination, which took place on Thursday P. M., Feb. 28th, afforded proof that commendable progress had been made in most of the studies. The classes in arithmetic gave evidence of a practical understanding of this important branch of common school study. In geography, the pupils were familiar with those parts which they had studied, while in grammar the progress was not quite as apparent. There was one fault which detracted greatly from the enjoyment of the exercises throughout the examination, viz., that of reciting in a low and indistinct tone of voice. The order was excellent, not only at the examination but during the entire year. Had there been a more general co-operation on the part of the parents, the teacher would have labored with

feelings of less discouragement. Notwithstanding this, the examination exhibited favorably the results of the teacher's zeal and efforts.

Not absent during the Summer term—John Williams. Winter term—Willie Porter.

CENTRE PRIMARY.

This school was taught through the year by Mrs. Grace R. Gould, who commenced her work as a teacher in this department at the beginning of the winter term, in Dec. 1884, and has, with the exception of the fall term of 1887, had charge of the school from that date. The children who have enjoyed the privileges of this school have been very fortunate to have been under the discipline and instruction of so efficient and successful a teacher as Mrs. Gould.

The requirements of a teacher who has charge of a school of this grade are as varied as are the dispositions of the pupils who compose the school. Good judgment, a kind heart; vivacity, tact, familiarity with and love of children; gentleness and firmness; with culture and experience, and sound common sense, will be in constant demand. From morn till night the teacher must draw upon her own resources to maintain the interest, vivacity, and cheerfulness of the pupils. Her discipline should be gentle but firm; always kind and encouraging.

The inspection of this school during the year has been a source of gratification, from the evidences of mental growth and progress on the part of those committed to her care. The attention that was given to the reading exercises of the school was a noticeable feature in its every day work. The little ones who had just begun to ascend the "hill difficulty" were taught their reading, largely from the blackboard, and in these lessons from the board the teacher began, at once, the use of script letters and required the pupils to use them in-

stead of printing, as formerly practiced. It was a source of very great pleasure when visiting the school to observe the interest of these beginners in their reading exercises, and the readiness with which they would name the words and read the sentences written by the teacher.

In the more advanced classes in reading there was a good degree of care manifested in regard to correct emphasis and distinct articulation. The work of the first class in written arithmetic was confined to the four fundamental rules; and that of the second class to addition and subtraction. The work in mental and written arithmetic by both classes was thorough and highly satisfactory to those having the school under supervision.

Oral instruction was another prominent feature in this school, and tended, as it ordinarily does, to awaken thought and make the instruction very much more practical. Much ability was displayed by the teacher in inciting her pupils to mental activity and in leading them correctly and systematically to the attainment of a good degree of progress. The order through the year was excellent.

The public examination of the school held on Friday A. M., March 1st, gave excellent satisfaction. In reading, very good improvement was noticeable. The spelling was excellent. The classes in arithmetic were examined upon the fundamental rules of that branch of study, and by their prompt and correct answers, and their full and clear explanations proved, beyond the question of a doubt, that they were thoroughly familiar with those parts which they had studied. In geography, a good beginning had been made. The examination was a legitimate result of the year's labors, and, as we have already intimated, was *very* satisfactory. Singing and the recitation of pieces by the pupils gave a pleasing variety to the exercises and added to the interest of the occasion. Appreciating the labors of the teacher, the school, at the close

of the examination, made her a present of a silver butter-cooler.

Not absent during the Summer term—Mary Wilkins, Annie D. Trowt, Eugene Guilds, Ellsworth Lane. Fall term—Ethel Batchelder, Eugene Guilds. Winter term—Martha Porter, Lorenzo Pierce.

NECK SCHOOL.

Mrs. Minnie J. Miller, the former teacher in this school, continued her connection with it during the year, and with most satisfactory results. Her former experience, her reputation as a teacher,—based on her acknowledged ability and earnest devotedness to her school duties—naturally excited high hopes and expectations which were *fully realized*. The school was invariably found in excellent condition and the pupils deserve commendation for their respect to the teacher, for quietness of movement, close attention, promptness and accuracy in recitations.

Though the number of pupils was not large, those who attended worked, and could not pass their time in school smoothly without attending promptly to school duties, and conforming to its discipline. The scholars were not allowed to indulge in any superficial work, but were expected to understand their work as far as they advanced, and to be able to answer appropriate questions, and to give satisfactory explanations. No one who has ever visited the school or become familiar with its daily work can call in question the ability and fidelity of the teacher, or the excellence and value of the school. Though the enrolment was small, yet, as is always the case in a mixed school, the number of classes was large, viz., three in reading, four in arithmetic, three in spelling, two in grammar, three in geography, one in history and one in hygiene.

The work of the respective classes, in addition to their reading, writing and spelling, was as follows in arithmetic:

the fourth class, in connection with mental, have taken up the four fundamental rules in written arithmetic; the third class, U. S. Money, decimal fractions to division; second class, profit and loss, commission, insurance, stocks, banking, interest—simple and compound—and bonds; first class, ratio, proportion, partnership, involution, evolution, triangles, circles and similar figures; in geography, the second class have studied the United States; the first class South America, Europe and Africa; in physical geography, the class have made an excellent beginning; in history the class have studied to the period of the Revolution; in hygiene, through the Health Primer; in language, the second class have taken up sentence building, beginning with the subject and predicate and enlarging; first, by the use of words,—and here the parts of speech were taught,—second, by the use of phrases, and third, by the analysis of simple sentences; the work of the first class has been, forming compound and complex sentences, analysis of original sentences and selections, correcting sentences and giving reasons, dictation exercises, etc. The foregoing comprises the general outline of subjects studied during the year, and these have been taught in a very efficient, practical and exhaustive manner, and in all the branches studied, the pupils, whenever examined by the committee, by the interest they manifested, and by the promptness and accuracy of their answers, furnished unmistakable evidence that they had not only been well *taught*, but that they had well and wisely improved the opportunities afforded them.

Much interest was taken by the pupils in the practice allowed them of questioning and criticising each other at the time of recitation. Those having the school in charge cannot commend too highly this feature of school work, as it serves greatly to increase the interest and fix the attention of the pupils, and also to awaken individual thought and application.

In all respects this was a pleasant and successful school.

The earnest and persistent labors of the teacher were properly seconded by the scholars and their parents. Much care was taken to teach the elements of reading correctly. The full tones of voice and diversity of information exhibited by the leading classes, were noticeable features throughout the year.

The examination at the close fully realized the expectations of the committee, and was pronounced by some of those who addressed the school, "as far exceeding their highest anticipations." The recitations in arithmetic and those in parsing and analysis were excellent. In history and geography, also in hygiene, the examination was conducted principally by the pupils, they questioning each other, and the tests of their mental acquirements were very thorough and highly satisfactory. While the reading in concert was excellent in regard to time, tone of voice and distinct articulation, the tests to which the pupils were subjected in being called upon by the teacher to read at sight, without ever having seen the piece before, were well sustained. The class in physical geography gave an excellent exhibit of the work of the year. The drawing and writing-books are deserving of high commendation for the care with which they were kept and the improvement made.

Not absent during the Summer term: Nonie Killam, Alice Perkins, Sidney Prince and Fred Prince. Fall term, Sidney Prince and Fred Prince. Winter term, Roy Shackley. Not absent during the year, Sadie Prince and John Philbrick.

WEST SCHOOL.

The experience of this school has, in one particular, been very much the same, as that of the preceding year, viz., that of a change of teachers during the school year. While as a rule, the frequent change of teachers is a very great drawback,

if not a positive hindrance to the progress of any school, yet we are glad to know that even this rule is not without its exceptions, and that there are changes that not only do not result in retarding the advancement of the pupils, but on the other hand conduce greatly to their mental growth and development. This we believe has been the experience of this school during the past year. In selecting a teacher for this department the committee were of the opinion that they could not do better than to secure the services of the one who taught the previous winter term, and Miss Tentie W. Jenkins, of West Barnstable was re-engaged.

Miss Jenkins entered upon her school duties April 9th. Her previous experience in this school enabled her, at the beginning, to commence her work understandingly, as she was already familiar with the mental acquirements and natural dispositions of those placed under her care and instruction.

In visiting the school soon after its commencement and becoming familiar with the regular routine of its every day exercises, and the manner in which they were carried out, and also the apparent pleasant relations that existed between the teacher and her pupils, it was evident that a good beginning had been made, such as to warrant the expectation of excellent results.

The order of the school was invariably good. The study of arithmetic received its full share of attention, and good progress was made; the interest in the study of grammar was not as good; in writing, the copy-books of some were specimens of care, neatness and real progress, while others were essentially wanting in these particulars. During the latter part of the term there appeared to be a want of personal attention on the part of the teacher to arouse and keep a desirable interest in her pupils, so that our expectations were not fully realized. At the close of the summer term Miss Jenkins resigned, and the vacancy was filled by Miss Jennie O. Bowers, of Nashua, N. H., who had charge of

the school through the Fall and Winter terms, and performed her duties in a satisfactory manner. Miss Bowers is a lady of large experience as a teacher, possessed of unusual energy and perseverance, and will take a high rank as a disciplinarian. In this school a decidedly strong government proved hardly less popular than beneficial. The school was well taught and its regulations and requirements were accompanied with that mental training which is essential to all true education.

Under Miss Bowers' management and instruction the school materially improved, not only in its outward appearance, but in its mental condition, attaining improved habits of studiousness. This was accomplished by patience, firmness, tact and perseverance. There was a symmetry, so to speak, in her work. Her efforts were directed to the several branches judiciously and with uniformity, no one study being made unduly prominent. In reading and spelling there was much improvement, if not as much as their relative importance demanded; in spelling both the oral and written methods were employed.

When visited, the recitations in the text and rules of grammar, and their application to parsing and analysis were generally good. The same may be said of those in arithmetic. The scholars of the first class have taken algebra, in addition to their other studies, in which a good beginning has been made and much interest manifested. In geography and hygiene commendable progress was made. The attendance was excellent, being 95.3 per cent., which was 13 per cent. higher than that of the previous year. This, of itself, speaks well for the efforts of the teacher, the interest of the pupils and the co-operation of the parents.

The examination at the close of the Winter term, as compared with that of the previous year, showed decided improvement in the general appearance of the school, its order, and in the mental advancement. In reading there were

more distinctness, expression and appreciativeness than formerly, which improvement was noticed with gratification. All of the classes in arithmetic gave evidence by the promptness and correctness of their answers, of a thorough familiarity with the definition, rules and general principles of this branch of study; and while the pupils of the first class were able to demonstrate the correctness of the solution of their examples, with analytical exactness, and furnish unmistakable evidence that they were trained to habits of thought and self-reliance, those of the second and third classes somewhat disappointed us in their work and explanations at the blackboard.

The classes in geography, map drawing and grammar did themselves justice; those in spelling were not as satisfactory. The other studies and exercises of the school deserve to be well spoken of, as very commendable progress was made in them all. At the close of the examination the teacher presented each pupil with a book, as a reward for "improved habits of study." The parents and friends present gave a vote of thanks to the teacher for her liberal gifts to the children.

Not absent during the Summer term—Marion F. Perkins. Fall term—Ernest Brown. Winter term—Melissie Clark, Bertha Standley, Judith Clark, Marion F. Perkins, Jennie Phelps. During the year—Sidney Cook.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH,

1890.

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REPORT.

The School Committee of Wenham submit the following report :—

The Committee received and paid out for the maintenance of the public schools, as follows :—

Town appropriation,	$1,400.00
State school fund,	205.85
Dog tax,	155.52
	$1,761.37
Paid for teaching,	$1,572.00
" fuel,	123.25
" building fires and care of rooms,	52.48
	$1,747.73
Paid for books, stationery and school-room supplies,	$119.08

Number of persons in town on the first day of May, 1889, between five and fifteen years of age, 135.

Number of public schools, 5.

Number of different pupils of all ages, in the public schools during the year, 128.

Number attending within the year over fifteen years of age, 7.

Average membership of all the schools, 99.2.

Average attendance in all the public schools during the year, 89.8.

The per cent. of attendance based upon the average membership, 90.5.

The instruction of each child connected with the public schools during the year cost the town, including the cost of school books and supplies, but not the interest on the school property or repairs upon the school buildings, $12.938.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS, ETC.

During the winter term of 1889, the several school-houses and out-buildings belonging to the same were inspected by "S. C. Hunt, Mass. Dist. Police and State Inspector of Factories and Public Buildings." In the examination, particular attention was given by Mr. Hunt to ventilation of each of the school-rooms, and the sanitary condition of the out-buildings.

Soon after the close of the schools of 1889, a communication was received by the Committee from the Inspector, calling the attention of the School Board to the State law, requiring all doors of ingress and egress of public buildings to open out of instead of into the building, and also to the need of improved ventilation in some of the school-rooms. The committee, in compliance with the suggestion of the State Inspector, had, during the spring vacation, the doors changed to conform to the requirements of the law, and the ventilation greatly improved; yet we feel that it is not all that we could wish or the wants of the rooms require.

Mr. Hunt made a second examination of the school buildings during the month of February, 1890, and has directed the attention of the committee to the necessity of furnishing a more thorough means of ventilation for the Primary room, and also to the need of an additional out-building at the West School, which will receive the attention of the committee, and the suggestions be carried out.

The appended report of the several schools will show that the school work has been greatly interrupted by sickness, and as a consequence the attendance has been much interfered with, so that the average falls much below that of last year.

While regretting this fact, as it has retarded the progress of some of our schools, we lift our hearts in gratitude and thanksgiving that the lives of all our children have been spared.

NECK SCHOOL.

The fact that Mrs. Minnie J. Miller has continued her connection with this school for so long a time, is good evidence that she loves her work, and that her labors, as a teacher, are appreciated. Teaching is a sphere to which she is particularly adapted,—at home! Indeed, her unquestioned qualifications, her "aptness to teach," her industry and fidelity, gave the committee ample assurance of her success and of the progress of the school while in her care. It is scarcely necessary to state that we have been in no respect disappointed,—the condition of the school, in the matter of the faithfulness of the teacher, the co-operation of the scholars, the good order and spirit that were so generally prevalent in the school-room, all justifying large expectations.

To succeed in a mixed school, with many classes, with varied acquirements, requires much patience, tact, power of adaptation, dispatch, skill and fidelity. Much versatility is demanded to enable one to adapt herself to the special needs of the beginner, in the weakness and dependence of youth, to awaken an interest and inspire courage and zeal in school work; then, to be able to meet any emergency which may arise in the more advanced classes, with all of the wide range of studies, the abrupt changes from class to class, from topic to topic.

In these respects, Mrs. Miller has proved herself competent to occupy her position, carrying the school steadily on, increasing in interest and mental growth from year to year. No other evidence of the labor required need to be afforded than that there have been sixteen classes in the school, all demanding attention, the exercises of which require promptness and dispatch, no relaxation, no drone-life.

In our regular visits to this school during the year, two very worthy and noticeable features were observed, which added much to the interest and value of the school. The

first was the teacher's originality, drawing very largely for her illustrations and explanations from the every day affairs of life, from facts familiar to all, and from surrounding objects. The natural tendency of this course was to give increased interest to the recitations; to so connect the principles more or less involved in the lessons with the practical duties and affairs of life, as to give the exercises more than usual importance, and awaken new desires for important information. The other feature, if possible, is still more salutary in its effects,—allowing the scholars to conduct some of the exercises, asking questions, even including those not found in the lesson. Such a course is well calculated to produce a mutuality in the school room, a oneness of interest, an increased zeal in school work. To the extent that scholars are interested in taking a part in these questionings, to that extent will their minds become more intent upon school affairs, and an increased industry and ambition will be the natural sequence.

A gratifying characteristic of this school and one indicative of its progressive character, is the improvement in the regularity of attendance since it has been under the charge of Mrs. Miller. This, of itself, speaks well for the efforts of the teacher and parents and the interest of the pupils. We regret that the gain in the per centage of attendance, as shown by the register, during the summer and fall terms, did not continue to the close of the year, but that it was greatly reduced during the winter term from the prevalence of the measles and other sickness, rendering it necessary to close the school, without the usual public examination.

The work of the year included the following studies, and the parts pursued in each: In arithmetic, the third class, in connection with mental exercises, have taken elementary work in written arithmetic, laying a good foundation for future progress; the second class, compound numbers and reduction; the first class, a review of the whole subject, ex-

cept the metric system, which was advance work—the three classes completing the more useful parts of the text-book. In geography, the third class gave their special attention to the geography of Europe; the second class, to the wide range of useful information connected with Asia, Oceanica, special geography of Massachusetts, its productions, etc., and the maps of the world; the first class, which took up physical geography, studied the atmosphere and organic life. The classes in grammar, analysis and parsing, composition exercises, figures of rhetoric, versification, scanning, poetic license and dictation. In history, the second class, from the discovery of America to the close of the Civil War; the first class, from Washington's to Lincoln's administration; the classes in physiology, after completing the study of hygiene in the text-book entitled, "Hygiene for Young People," took up the study of the bones, muscles and digestion in a more advanced work. In regard to all the branches taught a good report could be given.

Notwithstanding the interruption, and the close two weeks before the appointed time — the school numbering but four at its close — both teacher and scholars are entitled to a great deal of credit for the progress made and the results realized.

Not absent during the summer term — Nellie Dodge, Hattie Dodge, John Philbrick, Fred. Prince and Willie Perkins. Fall term — John Philbrick, Sydney Prince, Fred. Prince and Granville Perkins. Winter term — Sydney Prince. Not absent during the year — Sadie Prince.

WEST SCHOOL.

We are happy in being able to report that the West School has not suffered, as in previous years, from a change of teachers, but that Miss Jennie O. Bowers, who had charge of the school through the Fall and Winter terms of the pre-

vious year, was re-engaged for a second term of service, and continued her labors with the school through the entire year, fully maintaining her reputation as a faithful and successful teacher.

The condition of the school for the year was deserving of commendation. The order was uniformly good. A spirit of mutual kindness, confidence and good will was manifest, constituting the school-room a pleasant place.

The teacher made strenuous efforts to secure a good attendance, and these efforts were well seconded by the general co-operation of the patrons of the school; the register shows that the co-operation of parent and teacher were effective in obtaining an excellent attendance, the highest in town.

The pupils of the first class of the previous year left at the close of the Winter term of that year, so that the number belonging to the school was considerably reduced, and this number was still further diminished by the removal of eight pupils from town, so that the school was, during the last part of the Fall and the whole of the Winter term, numerically very much smaller than for several years past.

At the commencement of the school the pupils were deficient in the department of reading, and the same was true of arithmetic, in which there was a want of familiarity with the definitions and rules and their application to practical examples. The attention of the teacher and the pupils was directed to these defects, and, what was necessary to be done, in order to secure the desired results, pointed out. In a subsequent visit we were more than pleased to observe the change that had been accomplished in the way of improvement in reading. The pupils read with much care and deliberation, giving evidence of careful training on the part of the teacher, and of study and attention on the part of the scholars. In arithmetic, also, a marked change was noticeable; the classes were not only familiar with the definitions

and rules of the portions under consideration, but in the matter of explanation of their work upon the blackboards, they convinced us that they had well improved their time, and profited by the suggestions made on a previous occasion; and it is pleasing to report that this improvement in reading and arithmetic continued to the close of the year.

The classes in geography have, in connection with their regular recitations, given some attention to map-drawing, the practice of which we fully commend, as it gives a greater familiarity with the country delineated than could be acquired from any mere description in the text-book. In grammar, the pupils of the first class have given their attention principally to the construction and analysis of sentences. Those who commenced the study this year have made a good beginning. All of the prescribed studies have received their appropriate share of attention, and the progress made in each, spelling excepted, is deserving of commendation from those having the school in charge.

The public examination of the school on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 27th, was well attended by the parents of the pupils and friends of the school, most of whom manifested an unabated interest through all of the exercises of the afternoon. In reading, very good progress was noticeable; the concert reading of the first class was excellent, in regard to tone of voice, time and distinct articulation. In geography the recitations were prompt and generally correct, the answers to questions being given without hesitation and in a distinct manner. The blackboard exercises in grammar, arithmetic and map-drawing were generally good; the questions were put on with neatness and accuracy. The classes in United States History and hygiene gave a commendable exhibit of their year's work in these branches. The scholars, generally, by the promptness and accuracy of their answers, gave unquestionable evidence that they had made good progress in the studies to which they had given their attention.

The results of the year's work, as shown by the examination, fully realized the expectations of the committee.

At the close of the examination the pupils presented the teacher with a five dollar gold piece, suitably engraved, as a token of their esteem and appreciation; and the teacher repeated her generous act of the previous year, by presenting each pupil with a book.

Not absent during the Fall term — Nellie Cook. Winter term — Nellie M. Peabody. Not absent during the year — Marion F. Perkins, Jennie F. Phelps and Sidney M. Cook.

CENTRE PRIMARY.

According to the popular idea, almost any girl can teach a primary school; but this is an egregious error, as has been so often demonstrated by placing those with no special qualifications and experience in charge of this class of schools. The pupils in the primary school are of so tender an age that they require to be guided and led in almost every particular. Simple principles and facts, such as are adapted to their capacities, must be presented in such a manner that the first impressions of school life may not be unfavorable, and that the educational career, thus early commenced, may not be regarded as irksome. If in a class of teachers there is one who has good inventive genius, loves children, is "apt to teach," and has a special faculty of presenting her thoughts in the most pleasing manner, she is *the one* to be placed in charge of the primary school!

In schools of this grade, it is reasonably expected that there will be various dispositions, with less of judgment to control such peculiarities than we usually find among older pupils, to meet which an unusual amount of good sense, kindness of heart, and tact will be in almost constant demand. While it is not judicious to impose many mere re-

straints, the teacher's requirement's *must* be regarded as final, her wishes law!

Those the best informed in regard to the working condition of this school will appreciate the fact that its teacher, Mrs. Grace R. Gould, has the requisite qualifications, as her long connection with it would seem to indicate. The teacher, from time to time, has introduced many new and pleasing as well as instructive features into the school, well calculated by affording profitable variety to attract the attention of the young, inspiring them with new courage, while a love of school pursuits was the legitimate result. It has been pleasant and encouraging to note the progress from year to year during Mrs. Gould's connection with the school. That bad habits in reading might be avoided, the teacher early gave special attention to this exercise, commencing with the simplest rudiments, and so arranging the exercises that no mystery should enshroud the lessons — like that of the printed page — but that the elements of common sense should enter each lesson, the thoughts being taken from the common walks of life. Blackboard exercises preceded those of the book.

It was very gratifying to observe, while visiting the school, with what eagerness these children appropriated such lessons, the extent that they manifestly understood them, their zeal in performing their parts, and the ease and correctness with which they deciphered the words and read the sentences given to them. The written arithmetical work of this school is confined to the mere rudiments, the fundamental rules, which is as much as should be required of this grade of pupils. It is with pleasure that we can speak of the progress made in the mental arithmetic as well as in the written, the thorough training in the mental deserving especial commendation, partly on account of its *special* importance. It is not too much to say that scholars well and thoroughly trained in mental processes will rarely fail in written arithmetic,

should their opportunities be somewhat limited in the more advanced stage of instruction.

It is scarcely possible to speak in too decided terms of commendation of the calisthenics and oral exercises of this school, the former at once changing the usual routine of school duties, diverting them into pleasant channels, and the latter introducing the mind into varied realms of observation, encouraging industry and a desire for knowledge. This, as is usual, gave a more practical bearing to school work. It is plain that such exercises, with the teacher's general influence, created an excellent spirit in the school, an interest in its exercises, a zeal in study and a love of their teacher, under which circumstances the progress of the pupils in their studies has been decidedly satisfactory to those especially concerned. The discipline has been kind, but decided, of a character to command respect and willing obedience, being, as in the past years, highly satisfactory.

The exercises of the public examination were attended by a large number of the parents and friends of the pupils, and all seemed pleased and satisfied with the results of the past year's instruction. The examination of the several classes, so far as was possible on such an occasion, gave excellent proof of the teacher's faithfulness in directing the pupils of her charge up the "Hill Difficulty." In regard to all of the studies a good report could be given. But where all appeared so well, it is not necessary to particularize. The exercises were interspersed by the recitation of pieces, calesthenics and singing. The school merits high commendation. As an expression of appreciation of their teacher, the pupils presented her with a silver spoon holder and spoon, each appropriately engraved. With the close of the examination Mrs. Gould closed her connection as teacher with the school. May the children of this department find another as faithful.

Not absent during the Summer term — G. Frank Merrill, Bessie Pulsifer, Blanche Hills, Edith Dudley and Eben

Stanley. Fall term — Garfield Murray, Earnest Eaton, Eugene Guilds, Harry Brewer, Mamie Guilds, Edith Dudley and Arthur Trowt. Winter term — Garfield Murray, Earnest Eaton and Eugene Guilds.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This completes the third year of Miss Emma L. Nason's connection with it, whose experience very naturally led those having the school in charge to hope much from the success of this department of our common school system, and the results realized have, in so far as the teacher is responsible for those results, justified the expectations entertained.

One of the serious hindrances with which the teacher has had to contend, is that of irregularity of attendance. While a majority of those connected with the school have done well in this respect, and while there has been quite an improvement over that of the previous year, still there is ample opportunity for even greater improvement, since a number of the pupils are yet very remiss in their duty in this particular, as an examination of the school register will show.

It is not probable that this class realize the extent to which they are injuring themselves in abridging their school privileges and robbing themselves of the advantages intended to fit them for future usefulness in the active duties of social life.

They are undoubtedly unmindful of the fact that they cannot occupy even a respectable position among the intelligent, unless they secure the benefits offered by our system of common schools. There is still another side to this matter, one perhaps of still greater moment than the individual consideration,—that relating to the rest of the school. Let a member of the school be absent from his or her class and the regular class routine is disturbed; the influence in the matter of example is bad; and the absentee becomes a mere clog to the class.

The regular visits to the school gave good evidence that the teacher's efforts to govern her pupils and to arouse and keep alive a desirable interest, were quite successful. There was a steady mental growth apparent during the year. A good per cent. of the pupils manifested more than usual eagerness to learn, of course making a good degree of progress,—a real improvement over the preceding year,—the credit to be given to the teacher and those scholars who were regular in their attendance. It would be unfair, in a certain sense fraudulent, to withhold from her or any of our faithful teachers, the credit to which they are justly entitled.

It is evident to those who are familiar with the every day work of the school that there was a sufficient range of studies—perhaps more than would be justified under some circumstances; yet we think that it must be conceded by those acquainted with the work accomplished, that a good degree of proficiency was made in the several branches. In reading, the care and attention of the previous year were continued; frequent repetitions, correction of mistakes by pupils as well as the teacher, remarks upon the proper pauses, tone and inflection, characterized this exercise. The classes in arithmetic made good progress, both in reference to thoroughness and the topics studied. In the study of geography free use was made of the blackboards in drawing out-line maps and locating mountains, rivers, principal cities, etc., in which exercise a commendable familiarity and promptness on the part of the pupils were noticeable. The method of spelling and defining of the more advanced classes, practised in this and the school at the Neck, we cannot too highly commend, the pupils being required to spell and give the meaning, and then to construct a sentence in which the definition shall be appropriately used.

The proficiency made in the several studies during the year demonstrates the fact that the teacher labored with commendable assiduity and fidelity.

Comparing the examination which was held on Friday afternoon, Feb. 28th, with that of the previous year, the progress was very decided and satisfactory. The several classes were examined, so far as time would permit, in all of the principal subjects to which they had given attention, and gave good satisfaction, not only to those having the school in charge, but also to the large number of parents and friends who were present, judging from the attention given and interest shown throughout the entire exercises of the afternoon. In spelling and defining, the pupils were prompt and generally accurate The classes in reading were not as good as in other studies. In arithmetic, the work upon the blackboards gave ample proof of a practical understanding of this branch of study; the principles were clearly presented, the processes concisely stated, and the reasons definitely given. The recitation in physiology, and the exercises in grammar, analysis of sentences and application of rules were very satisfactory. In geography and history the pupils were prompt and exhibited a familiar acquaintance with the portions studied. Singing and reading of pieces gave a pleasing variety to the exercises.

Not absent during the Winter term—Annie Trowt.

EAST SCHOOL.

For six years past Miss Jennie S. Bertwell, of Ossipee, N. H., has guided and disciplined the youth of the East School District. Her continuance in this position for so long a time is, in itself, a commendation of far more value than any mention we can make in this yearly review of her school work. So long a service in the same locality has familiarized her with the individual needs of each scholar, so that she was to them a teacher in the true sense of the word, as ready and capable to instruct as she was sympathetic and anxious to

vary the instruction according to the individual necessities of her pupils.

But notwithstanding the efficiency of Miss Bertwell's work and the ready support which the scholars gave her, the progress of the school has been much interfered with by causes entirely beyond our control.

The summer term was the only one during which the school was not interrupted by sickness.

In the spring whooping cough raged, and later measles, reducing the attendance at one time to only four.

With so much sickness to contend with, it is surprising that results so favorable have been obtained.

Last year we noted with special gratification the pleasing relations existing between teacher and pupil, and it is pleasant to report a continuance of the same kindly feelings.

As in the past the school has been characterized by wholesome discipline. To briefly summarize—a more than usual interest in the studies pursued, a readiness to answer the questions, a *wide-awakeness*, a general air of neatness pervading the room, which proved an auxiliary to success.

One very commendable peculiarity has been observed, that of inspiring pupils with the idea that they have very respectable powers of mind, and that, when aid seemed to be needed, the teacher had the tact to lead them into the path which would conduct them into the desired position, the scholar scarcely knowing that aid had been rendered. Of course, avoiding everything like humiliation, the pupils feel a good degree of satisfaction at the work accomplished by *them!* Scarcely too much can be said in favor of this real instruction, which is admirably calculated to teach the young to stand alone, to walk alone, to think more or less independently—which is an important advantage of a thorough education. This method of true teaching has the advantage of being understood, because discovered by personal efforts really seen and felt, while the discipline obtained by the investigation gives such a

strength to the mind that future and more apparently insurmountable obstacles in like manner will be compassed.

An earnest, zealous and appreciative teacher can scarcely fail to take her school bodily, so to speak, and carry her pupils along up the hill of science, at least when the scholars are as ready to co-operate and work diligently as these were, aside from circumstances entirely beyond human control, as in the case of sickness.

Special care was given to the reading exercises, in which the pupils were required to read intelligently, slowly and carefully, having due regard to pronunciation, emphasis, accent—everything appertaining to good reading. The method of teaching geography was the same as last year and was attended with gratifying results. Since Miss Bertwell has been so long in this school, it will not seem needful to speak of her work in detail, since it would be in part but a repetition of the past, though it is right to say that additional excellencies have appeared during the year's work, as those who have availed themselves of the right and privilege to visit the school have been fully satisfied. It is enough to say that there has been ample evidence that the work of the year has been well and faithfully performed, the instruction having been critical, thorough and satisfactory.

The exercises at the closing examination were of a high order. The reading, as a whole, was good, and in some of the classes excellent; the same was true of spelling. In arithmetic, the definitions, rules and principles were clearly and promptly given, and questions solved with facility and correctness. The recitation in algebra and those in history and geography were excellent. The map-drawing exhibited upon the blackboards and walls of the room elicited high commendation.

The work of the year, as shown by the examination, was a complete success.

Not absent during the Summer term—Bessie F. Williams,

Clarence N. Preston, Louis H. Preston, Florence M. Stillman, Josie Williams. Fall term—Bertha N. Wyatt, Josie Williams, Charles W. Andrews. Winter term—Clarence N. Preston. During the year—Lizzie D. Preston.

FRANCIS M. DODGE,
ELBRIDGE PORTER,
NATH'L P. PERKINS,
} School Committee of Wenham.

VALUATION LIST

AND

State, County and Town Tax

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM,

FOR THE YEAR 1890.

SALEM, MASS.:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1891.

PURSUANT to a vote of the Town of Wenham, passed at its last annual meeting, held March 3, 1890, authorizing the ASSESSORS to have the ESTIMATE AND VALUATION LIST of 1890 printed and distributed among the inhabitants of the town, we submit the following:—

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
A.				
Alley, Henry	Larch		One horse.	$25
		$2		$25
Alley, George	Main		One horse,	25
			One carriage,	25
		$2		$50
Alley, Henry, Jr.	Larch	$2		
Alley, Otis P.	Maple		One horse,	25
		$2		$25
Abbott, Charles H.	Main	$2		
B.				
Baptist Society	Dodge			
Barnes, Lydia	Cedar			
Barnes, Paul M.	Cedar	$2		
Barnes, Thomas M.	Cedar	$2	One horse,	$50
Barnes, Jacob D.	Cedar	$2		
Bartlett, James	Larch	$2		
Batchelder, Chas. W. Heirs of	Main			
Batchelder, Edm'd K.	Cherry		One cow,	$25

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Dwelling house,			$700	
Barn and work shop,			300	
House lot,	1		350	
Woodland,	1	1–2	25	
			$1375	$16.00
Dwelling house,			500	
Shoe shop,			25	
House lot,		1–4	100	
			$625	$8.75
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			250	
Barn,			50	
House lot,	1		75	
			$375	$6.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			800	
Barn,			100	
House lot,	1		100	
			$1000	$10.00
Dwelling house.			250	
Barn,			50	
House lot,		1–2	100	
			$400	$4.00
				$2.00
				$2.50
				$2.00
				$2.00
Store building,			1000	
Store land,	1	1–3	300	
			$1300	$13.00
Part dwelling house,			$572.73	
" Barn,			190.63	
" Granary,			31.73	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
BATCHELDER, EDM'D K.				
		$2		$25
BATCHELDER, IRA D.	Cherry		One horse,	100
			One cow,	25
			Fourteen sheep,	50
		$2		$175
BATCHELDER, JOS. L.	Main		One horse,	50
			Five cows,	125
		$2		$175
BATCHELDER, JOSIAH F.	Main	$2	Two horses,	125
BATCHELDER, LUTHER W.	Cherry	$2		
BATCHELDER, THOMAS W.	Main		One horse,	50
			One carriage,	50
		$2		$100
BEARD, CHARLES E.	Main		Two cows,	75
			One horse,	100
		$2		$175
BECK, WILLIAM	Hull			
		$2		
BREWER, DANIEL P.	Arbor		One horse,	50

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Part Tillage land.	4		$254.82	
" Pasture land,	4 1–2		95.54	
" Kimball woodland,	3		15.91	
" Moulton "	2 1–2		63.64	
			$1225.00	$14.50
Dwelling house,			500	
Barn,			300	
Granary,			50	
Tillage land,	14		875	
Pasture "	35		850	
Woodland,	6		200	
Tillage land, Grapevine street,	2		125	
Pasture " " "	3		100	
Woodland, " "	3		100	
			$3100	$34.75
Dwelling house,			1300	
Barn,			400	
Carriage house,			100	
Ice house,			25	
New hennery,			50	
Tillage land,	19		1600	
Pasture "	6		250	
Meadow "	2		100	
Sheldon "	4		75	
			$3900	$42.75
				$3.25
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			1100	
			$1100	$14.00
				$3.75
Dwelling house,			150	
House lot,	1–8		25	
			$175	$3.75
Dwelling house,			650	
Barn and shop,			175	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
BREWER, DANIEL P.				
		$2		$50
BATCHELDER, NANCY	Main			
BREWER, HENRY P.	Main		One horse,	50
			One carriage,	75
		$2		$125
BREWER, OTIS D.	Arbor			
		$2		
BROWN, ELNATHAN D.	Cedar	$2		
BROWN, CHARLES T.	Chebacco	$2		
BROWN, JACOB	Chebacco Ex't		One horse,	$100
BROWN, JAMES T.	Bomer		Two horses,	100
			Five cows,	150
		$2		$250
BROWN, JAMES S.	Bomer	$2		
BROWN, JOSIAH B.	Bomer	$2	Two horses,	$150
BUCKLEY, MICHAEL	Cedar			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Carriage house,			25	
House lot,	3–4		175	
			$1025	$12.75
Dwelling house,			1000	
Barn,			800	
Carriage house,			300	
Hennery,			50	
Tillage land,	9		900	
Pasture "	10		500	
Woodland,	15		300	
Wm. E. Porter land,	1–4		50	
			$3900	$39.00
				$3.25
Dwelling house,			900	
House lot,	1–2		125	
			$1025	$12.25
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			450	
Barn,			400	
Shop,			100	
Tillage land,	4		250	
Pasture "	3		50	
Meadow "	2		50	
Exempt by law, $500.			$1300	$9.00
Dwelling house,			550	
Barn and shed,			400	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	17		800	
Pasture "	31		450	
Peat meadow,	1		25	
			$2250	$27.00
				$2.00
				$3.50
Dwelling house,			450	
Barn,			150	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
BUCKLEY, MICHAEL				
		$2		
BURCHSTEAD, BENJAMIN F.	Hull		One horse,	25
		$2		$25
BURCHSTEAD, FANNY	Hull			
BURNHAM, SIMON P.	Larch		One cow,	25
		$2		$25
BURNHAM, IRVING L.	Larch			
		$2		
BUSHEE, GEORGE W.	Main	$2		
BATCHELDER, AUSTIN I.	Cherry	$2		
BURNHAM, WESLEY	Arbor		One cow,	25
		$2		$25
BURPEE, WARREN	Bomer	$4		
BURNS, ROBERT	Cherry			
		$2		
BUTMAN, GEORGE W.	Main	$2	One cow,	$25
BANCROFT, W. A.	Cherry	$2		
BURCHSTEAD, BENJ. F., JR.	Hull	$2		

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Shoe shop,			25	
House lot,	1–2		100	
			$725	$9.25
Dwelling house,			250	
Barn,			50	
House lot,	2		75	
			$375	$6.00
Dwelling house,			300	
Barn,			100	
Shop,			25	
Exempt by law,			$425	
One half dwelling house,			450	
One half barn,			125	
Wood house and shop,			200	
House lot,	1		100	
			$875	$11.00
Shop,			25	
House lot,	1		100	
			$125	$3.25
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			850	
Barn,			450	
Tillage land,	8		600	
Pasture "	34		650	
			$2550	$27.75
				$4.00
Dwelling house,			900	
Barn and shop,			400	
House lot,	3–4		225	
			$1525	$17.25
				$2.25
				$2.00
				$2.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
C.				
Casson, George W.	Arbor	$2		
Cass, James W.	Bomer		One horse,	50
		$2		$50
Caves, John	Cherry			
		$2		
Caves, Horace S.	Cherry	$2	Two shares P. S. P. R. R.	$250
Clark, Humphrey S.	Arbor			
		$2		
Clark, Elmer E.		$2		
Clark, Jason	Main		One cow,	25
		$2		$25
Clark, Otis A.	Arbor	$2		
Clough, Austin B.	Main	$2		
Cloutman, Richard H.	Main	Ex't		
Cole, Zachariah	Larch		Two horses,	175
			Thirteen cows,	350
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$575
Cole, Frank	Larch	$2		

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			400	
Barn and shop,			250	
Hennery,			50	
House lot,	1		125	
			$825	$10.75
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			200	
Granary,			50	
House lot,	1		200	
Tillage land,	2		400	
			$1450	$16.50
				$4.50
Dwelling house,			700	
Barn and shop,			300	
House lot,	1		250	
			$1250	$14.50
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			1200	
Barn,			200	
Shop,			50	
House lot,	1		300	
			$1750	$19.75
				$2.00
R. A. Dodge land,	1-4		$75	$2.75
Dwelling house,			1400	
Barn,			800	
Carriage house,			125	
Granary,			25	
Tillage land,	20		1700	
Pasture "	21		600	
Meadow "	4		100	
			$4750	$55.25
				$2.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
CONANT, BENJ. H.	Main	$2		
CONANT, JOHN P.	Dodge		Three horses,	$250
		$2		$250
CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETY.	Main			
COOK, HARVEY S.	Maple	$2		
COOK, HENRY A.	Cherry	$2		
COOK, NANCY	Cherry			
CONANT, SAMUEL, Heirs of	Main			
COOK, SAMUEL S.	Maple		Two horses,	50
			Two cows,	50
			Two heifers,	25
		$2		$125
COOK, STEPHEN	Maple		One horse,	50
		$2		$50
CONANT, HELEN	Larch		Two shares P. S. P. R. R.	$250

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			$800	
Barn,			150	
House lot,	2		200	
Woodland,	4		200	
			$1350	$18.00
Dwelling house,			1500	
Barn,			200	
House lot,	1 1–2		300	
			$2000	$20.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			500	
Barn,			100	
House lot,	3		500	
Woodland,	2		25	
Peat meadow,	1		25	
			$1150	$11.50
Dwelling house,			1000	
Barn,			200	
Shop,			50	
House lot,	1		300	
			$1550	$15.50
Dwelling house,			600	
Two barns,			350	
Tool house,			100	
House lot,	4		300	
Evans land,	5		300	
Kimball "	40		550	
Meadow "	2		25	
			$2225	$25.50
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			150	
Shop,			50	
Wood house,			50	
House lot,	3 1–2		225	
Peat meadow,	2		25	
			$1100	$13.50
				$2.50

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
CUMMINGS, WILLIAM S.	Perkins		Three horses,	$300
			Eleven cows,	300
		$2		$600
CURTIS, LYDIA C.	Larch			
COWLES, FRANK A.	Main		One horse,	50
			Two Carriages,	100
		$2		$150
CURRIER, STEPHEN G.	Main		One horse,	150
			One cow,	25
		$2		$175
CURTIS, JOHN W.	Dodge	$2		
COOK, CHESTER	Maple	$2		
CAVERLY, EDWARD H.	Main	$2		
D.				
DAVIS, ELIZABETH Heirs of	Larch			
DAVIS, ISRAEL W.	Larch	$2		
DAY, EVERETT K.	Cherry			
		$2		

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
New house,			$1500	
Old "			300	
Two barns,			750	
Store house,			100	
Granary,			50	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	20		1700	
Woodland,	7		50	
			$4475	$52.75
Woodland,	7		300	$3.00
				$3.50
Dwelling house,			1250	
Barn and shed,			300	
Blacksmith's shop,			300	
House lot,	1 1–2		400	
			$2250	$26.25
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			1100	
Barn,			200	
House lot,	4 1–4		750	
			$2050	$20.50
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			750	
Barn,			400	
Shop,			50	
Granary,			25	
Wood house,			50	
Hennery,			50	
Tillage land,	7		500	
Pasture "	4 1–2		150	
Cape Fear Woodland,	6		125	
Woodland,	3		50	
			$2150	$23.50

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
DAY, JOSEPH	Cherry	$2		
DAY, IVORY	Grape-vine	Ex't		
DEMPSEY, HENRY H.	Main		Stock and trade,	100
			Four horses,	500
		$2		$600
DODGE, WM. P.	Larch		Two shares P. S. P. R. R.	250
			Three horses,	250
			Two oxen,	115
			Six cows,	160
			Carriage,	50
			Engine and boiler,	200
		$2		$1025
DODGE, ALLEN W.	Arbor			
		$2		
DAVIS, LUCY H.	Larch		One share P. S. P. R. R.	$125
DODGE, ELIZABETH P.	Walnut		Two " " "	$250
DODGE, SARAH J. P.	Larch		Five " " "	$650
DODGE, AUGUSTUS	Larch			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			$100	
Barn,			100	
Shop,			50	
House lot,	3 1–2		50	
			$300	$3.00
Dwelling house,			1800	
Barn and shed,			500	
Blacksmith's shop,			500	
House lot,	1		350	
Shop lot,		1000	50	
Woodland,			50	
			$3250	$40.50
Dwelling house,			800	
Two barns,			800	
New barn,			500	
Shed,			100	
Granary,			50	
Old cider mill,			100	
New " "			700	
Tillage land,	39		2925	
Pasture "	37		750	
Meadow "	20		550	
Lee woodland,	3 1–2		50	
Dodge land,	7		300	
Porter "	9		200	
Safford "	6		450	
Marshall "	3		300	
Woodland,	8		150	
Wm. B. Dodge land,	26		850	
			$9575	$108.00
Dwelling house,			400	
House lot,	1–2		100	
			$500	$7.00
				$1.25
				$2.50
				$6.50
Dwelling house,			1000	
Barn,			500	
Wood-house and shop,			200	
Hennery,			25	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
DODGE, AUGUSTUS				
DODGE, ELBRIDGE C.	Cherry		One horse,	$25
			Five cows,	125
			Seven sheep,	50
		$2		$200
DODGE, EZRA, Heirs of	Walnut		Twelve cows,	350
			One horse,	50
				$400
DODGE. FRANCIS M.	Larch		Three cows,	75
			One horse.	100
			Two oxen,	100
			Carriage.	25
		$2		$300
DODGE, FRANCIS S.	Larch	$2	Money at interest.	$2200
DODGE. F. S. and G. F.	Larch		One horse,	100
			Six cows,	175
			Two oxen,	125
				$400
DODGE, GEORGE F.	Larch	$2		

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Tillage land,	12		$800	
Pasture land,	15		350	
Meadow "	5		100	
Woodland,	10		250	
			$3225	$32.25
Dwelling house,			650	
Barn,			400	
Hennery,			25	
Shop,			25	
Tillage land,	10		500	
Pasture "	40		500	
			$2100	$25.00
Dwelling house,			1150	
Barn,			800	
Carriage-house,			150	
Wood-house,			150	
Piggery,			25	
Granary,			25	
New shed,			200	
Tillage land,	21		1800	
Pasture "	13		400	
Sheep pasture,	28		500	
			$5200	$56.00
One-half dwelling house,			600	
New barn,			900	
One-half old barn,			100	
One-half wood-house,			100	
Tillage land,	8		600	
Pasture "	9	1–2	175	
One-half woodland lot,	4	1–2	150	
			$2625	$31.25
				$24.00
Dwelling house,			900	
Two barns,			650	
Shop,			25	
Hennery,			50	
Granary,			25	
Tillage land,	20		1500	
Pasture "	37		1100	
Woodland,	14		650	
Meadow land,	6		100	
			$5000	$54.00
				$2.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
DODGE, HENRY	Grape-vine		Steam engine and boiler, saw and saw carriage, and cider press,	1300
		$2		$1300
DODGE, HORACE W.	Dodge	$2		
DODGE, JACOB E.	Larch			
		$2		
DODGE, JAMES L.	Pleasant Court	Ex't	Two cows,	50
				$50
DODGE, NICHOLAS	Grape-vine		One horse,	50
			Two cows,	50
		$2		$100
DODGE, R. F.	Chebacco		One horse,	125
			Ten cows,	275
			Two oxen,	125
			Two carriages,	50
		$2		$575
DODGE, RICHARD E.	Chebacco	$2		
DODGE, JOHN K.	Grape-vine		Two horses,	200
			Two oxen,	150
			Six cows,	175
			Carriage,	25

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Saw and cider mill,			900	
Mill land,	1		100	
Meadow land,	5		100	
			$1100	$26.00
				$2.00
One-half dwelling house,			600	
One-half old barn,			100	
One-half wood-house,			100	
Tillage land,	8		600	
Pasture "	9	1–2	175	
One-half woodland lot,	4	1–2	150	
			$1725	$19.25
Dwelling house,			450	
Barn,			275	
Tillage land,	4		250	
Pasture "	3	1–2	50	
Peat Meadow,	1		25	
House lot,		1–2	50	
			$1100	$11.50
Dwelling house,			775	
Barn,			275	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	7		450	
Pasture "	12		175	
			$1700	$20.00
				$7.75
				$2.00
Dwelling house.			750	
Barn,			550	
Shed and carriage house,			50	
Granary,			25	
Hull house,			200	
" barn,			50	
Carriage and wood-house,			100	
Carriage house,			25	
Tillage land,	23		1000	
Pasture "	21		400	
Meadow "	12		250	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
DODGE, JOHN K.				
		$2		$550
DODGE, SIMEON, Jr.	Larch	$2		
DUDLEY, CHARLES F.	Main	$2	Stock and trade,	$100
DURGIN, JOHN I.	Main		One horse,	100
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$150
DURGIN, HORACE E.	Main	$2		
Day, Sally	Main			
DODGE, MARY F.	Chebacco			
DODGE, CHARLES E.	Larch	$2		
E.				
EDWARDS, FRANK	Dodge	$2		
EDWARDS, FRANK R.	Dodge		Money at interest,	400
			Two horses,	200
			Twelve cows,	325
			Two heifers,	25
			Four oxen,	225

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Preston land,	9		100	
Putnam "	4		50	
Home woodland,	19		400	
Cleaves land,	4		125	
Trow "	3		50	
A. Dodge "	10		200	
Crossfield "	3		50	
Hull "	8		150	
Burchstead land,	11		500	
			$5025	$57.75
Hennery,			$50	$2.50
				$3.00
Dwelling house,			1300	
Barn,			550	
Carriage and woodhouse,			250	
Two henneries,			75	
Tillage land,	2		400	
			$2575	$29.25
				$2.00
Moulton woodland,	5		165	
Swamp land,	2	1-2	60	
			$225	$2.25
Dwelling house,			200	
House lot,	1		50	
			$250	$2.50
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			800	
Barn,			500	
New barn,			400	
Carriage and wood-house,			150	
Shed,			50	
Tillage land,	37		1600	
Pasture "	44		875	
Meadow "	1	1-2	75	
Woodland,	9		550	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
EDWARDS, FRANK R.				
		$2		$1175
EATON, HENRY L.	Main		One horse,	75
			Two Carriages,	125
		$2		$200
Elliott, Charles F.	Arbor		One horse,	$50
		$2		$50
EVANS, SAMUEL K.	Main			
		$2		
EVANS, CLARENCE	Main	$2		
EATON, WM. B.	Main	$2		
F.				
FLINT, JOHN F.	Cherry			
		$2		
FISKE, HARRIET	Main			
FOLSOM, CHARLES W.	Main	$2		
FOLSOM, HARRIET	Main			
FOSTER, ARTHUR W.	Main	$2		
G.				
GENTLEE, JOHN	Grape vine		Two horses,	150
			Four cows,	125

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Henderson land,	10		$250	
Wyatt "	4		150	
			$5400	$67.75
				$4.00
Dwelling house,			1100	
Barn and shop,			300	
House lot,	1	1–2	400	
			$1800	$20.50
Dwelling house,			1200	
House lot,		1–2	150	
			$1350	$15.50
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			350	
Barn,			50	
Tillage land,	6		250	
Pasture "	10		150	
			$800	$10.00
Dwelling house,			900	
Barn,			200	
House lot,		1–4	100	
			$1200	$12.00
				$2.00
House lot.	1		$350	$3.50
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			700	
Two barns,			250	
Shed and tool-house,			325	
Two hemneries,			50	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
GENTLEE, JOHN				
		$2		$275
GENTLEE, JOHN T.	Grape-vine	$2		
GORHAM, ABNER D.	Dodge		One horse,	100
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$150
GOULD, AMOS, Estate of	Main			
GOULD, NATHANIEL, Estate of	Main		Machinery in factory,	700
				$700
GOODWIN, WM. W.	Cherry		Two horses,	150
			Three cows,	85
			One heifer,	15
		$2		$250
GARVIN, THOMAS Heirs of	Main			
GOODRICH, JAMES W.	Porter	$2		
GUILDS, WM. S.	Cherry		Two cows.	50
		$2		$50

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Tillage land,	12		$400	
Pasture "	33		350	
Meadow "	16		350	
Woodland,	10		200	
			$2625	$31.00
				$2.00
				$3.50
Dwelling house,			1400	
Barn and shed,			800	
Two henneries,			50	
Granary,			50	
House lot,	1		350	
Tillage land,	3		500	
Woodland,	13	1–2	175	
Perkins land,	4		100	
			$3425	$34.25
Dwelling house,			1250	
Barn,			350	
Hennery,			50	
Factory building,			800	
House lot,	1		300	
Rogers land,		1-5	50	
			$2800	$35.00
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			200	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	20		1000	
Pasture "	21		275	
			$2100	$25.50
Dwelling house,			1000	
Barn,			250	
House lot,		3–4	250	
			$1500	$15.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			400	
Barn,			50	
House lot,	1		100	
			$550	$8.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Gould, Amos	Main	$2	One horse,	$100
H.				
Homan, Daniel A.	Cedar			
		$2		
Homan, Daniel E.	Arbor			
		$2		
Homan, Wm. F.	Cedar	$2		
Hadlock, Wm. E.	Main	$2		
Howe, George	Friend's Court	$2		
Hall, Wm.	Cherry	Ex't		
Hall, Jeremiah C.	Cherry			
		$2		
Harrigan, Arthur M.	Larch	$2		
Harrigan, Dennis	Larch		One cow.	25
		$2		$25
Henry, Mary R.				
Higgins, John W.	Grape-vine	$2	Money at interest.	$200
Higgins, Timothy	Grape-vine	$2	Two horses,	$125

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$3.00
Dwelling house,			350	
House lot,	1–2		75	
			$425	$6.25
Dwelling house,			800	
Barn and shed,			200	
House lot,	3–4		225	
Woodland,	2		25	
Gould woodland,	3 1–2		50	
			$1300	$15.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			750	
Barn,			200	
House lot,	1 1–2		250	
Homan land,	1–4		75	
			$1275	$14.75
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			700	
Barn,			150	
House lot,	2		400	
			$1250	$14.75
Dwelling house,			700	
Shop,			25	
House lot,	5		250	
Exempt, $500.			$975	$4.75
				$4.00
Hennery,			$50	$3.75

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Higgins, William	Grape-vine	Ex't	One cow,	$25
				$25
Hobbs, Amos F.	Main		Money at interest,	800
			One horse,	100
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$950
Hobbs, Henry	Main			
		$2		
Hall, Edward C.	Cherry	$2	Two horses,	$50
Hanson, Parker	Bomer	$2	Two horses,	$125
Hooper, Francis H.		$2		
Hodgdon, Adariel	Cherry	Ex't		
Hunkins, John H.	Arbor			
Hawkins, Jerry F.	Arbor	$2		
Haskell, Philip E.	Main	$2		
J.				
Johnson, Abbott	Main		Two cows,	75
			One heifer,	25
		$2		$100

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Dwelling house,			$300	
Barn,			150	
Dwelling house, No. 2,			400	
Shed,			25	
Shop,			25	
Tillage land,	6 1–2		300	
Pasture "	5		75	
Woodland,	11 1–2		250	
			$1525	$15.50
Dwelling house,			1000	
Barn,			200	
Hennery,			25	
House lot,	3		750	
			$1975	$31.25
Dwelling house,			1200	
Barn,			300	
Harness shop,			300	
Hennery,			50	
House lot,	1 1–4		300	
Brown woodland,	4		25	
			$2175	$23.75
				$2.50
				$3.25
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			700	
House lot,	1–4		75	
			$775	$7.75
House lot,	3–4		$100	$1.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			700	
Barn,			100	
Shop,			25	
House lot,	3		550	
			$1375	$16.75

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
JOHNSON, ABBOTT W.	Main	$2		
JOHNSON, GEORGE W.	Grape-vine	$2		
JOHNSON, JANE	Grape-vine		Three cows.	$75
			One horse.	25
				$100
JOHNSON, FRANK T.	Grape-vine			
		$2		
JONES, WARREN	Cherry			
		$2		
JONES, GEORGE W.	Cherry		One horse.	75
		$2		$75
K.				
KAVANAGH, JEREMIAH	Main		Four horses,	600
			One cow,	25
			Carriage,	75
			Two ice wagons,	150
			2000 tons of ice,	400
			Engine and hoisting apparatus,	600
		$2		$1850
KAVANAGH, PATRICK H.	Main		Money at interest,	100
			One horse,	75
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$225

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			$350	
Barn,			150	
House lot,	1		75	
			$575	$6.75
Barn,			25	
Tuttle land,	1		50	
			$75	$2.75
Dwelling house,			400	
Barn,			150	
House lot,	1		300	
			$850	$10.50
Batchelder woodland,	5		125	
Woodland,	6		50	
			$175	$4.50
Dwelling house,			1100	
Barn,			400	
Three ice houses,			1700	
Shed,			50	
House lot,	1		300	
Perkins land,	4	1–2	150	
Land under and adjoining ice houses,		3–4	100	
			$3800	$58.50
Dwelling house,			1000	
Two barns,			650	
Kimball house,			500	
" barn,			200	
House lot,	1		350	
Kimball house lot,		1–2	100	
Hadley land,	10		400	
Meadow "	6		150	
Batchelder land,	6		100	
Kimball woodland,	4		50	
			$3500	$39.25

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
KAVANAGH, WM. H.	Main	$2		
KAVANAGH, JOHN A.	Main	$2		
KAVANAGH, JAMES E.	Main	$2		
KENT, JOSEPH G.	Maple		Two horses,	$125
			Three cows,	75
			Carriage,	25
		$2		$225
KENT, JOSEPH F.	Maple	$2		
KILLAM, CHARLES O.	Holden Place		One horse,	25
			Three cows,	75
		$2		$100
KIMBALL, CHARLES E.	Bomer	$2		
KIMBALL, EDWARD L.	Bomer		Two horses,	75
			Eight cows,	200
			Two oxen,	100
			One bull,	25
		$2		$400
KIMBALL, ELBRIDGE, Heirs of	Main		Money at interest,	1000
				$1000
KIMBALL, EDMUND, Heirs of	Main			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			$750	
Barn,			350	
Shed,			50	
Hennery,			50	
Carriage house,			25	
Tillage land,	13		700	
Pasture "	17		350	
Woodland,	32		400	
			$2675	$31.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			50	
Tillage land,	15		300	
Pasture "	17		200	
Meadow "	3		75	
			$1225	$15.25
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			500	
Barn,			750	
Dwelling house, No. 2,			1000	
Tillage land,	8		400	
Pasture "	27		750	
Woodland,	6		275	
			$3675	$42.75
Dwelling house,			1350	
Barn,			700	
Hennery,			50	
Granary,			50	
Tillage land,	17		1700	
Bomer land,	14		400	
Woodland,	5		75	
			$4325	$53.25
Dwelling house,			1500	
Barn,			250	
Shed,			50	
House lot,	2		600	
Exempt, $900.			$2400	$15.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
KIMBALL, MARY W. Estate of	Main		Money at interest,	$1000
			One horse,	75
			One cow,	50
			Two carriages,	150
			Furniture and plate,	300
				$1575
KIMBALL, SOLOMON E.	Maple		Money at interest,	50
			One horse,	75
			Five cows,	150
			Carriage,	25
		$2		$300
KIMBALL, WALTER	Main	$2		
KIMBALL, WM. P.	Main	$2	Two cows,	$50
KING, JOHN B.	Cherry	$2		
KNOWLTON, B. S.	Main	Ex't		
KNOWLTON, S. M.	Pleasant Court		Two horses,	75
			Two cows,	50
		$2		$125
KIMBALL, HENRY W.	Arbor			
		$2		
KNOWLTON, GEO. W.	Perkins	$2	One horse,	$100
KNOWLTON, GEORGE B.	Perkins	$2	One horse,	$100
KILLAM, LEWIS	Grape-vine		One horse,	75
			One cow,	25
		$2		$100

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Dwelling house,			$3800	
Two barns.			1000	
Hennery,			50	
House lot,	5		1000	
Tillage land.	7		1000	
Pasture "	5		750	
			$7600	$91.75
Dwelling house,			800	
Barn,			200	
Henneries.			75	
Shop,			25	
Tillage land.	13		650	
Pasture "	20		350	
Woodland.	17		200	
			$2300	$28.00
				$2.00
				$2.50
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			550	
Barn,			200	
Wood and carriage-house.			50	
Tillage land,	17		400	
Pasture "	27		300	
Orchard "		1–2	50	
Meadow "	1	1–3	50	
			$1600	$19.25
Dwelling house.			700	
House lot,		1–2	125	
			$825	$10.25
				$3.00
				$3.00
				$3.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
KIMBALL, CLARENCE E.	Main		One horse,	$100
			One cow,	25
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$175
KILHAM, GEORGE W.	Porter	$2		
L.				
LORD, LEVI S.	Cherry		Two horses,	150
		$2		$150
LOW, JEREMIAH, Heirs of	Larch		Money at interest,	700
				$700
LARRABEE, WARREN	Arbor	$2		
LARRABEE, GEORGE B.	Arbor	$2		
LOVETT, F. S., Jr.	Grape-vine		One horse,	70
			One cow,	30
			One heifer,	25
		$2		$125
LIBBY, ALBERT S.	Larch	$2		
LUDDEN, WM. E.	Arbor	$2	Carriage,	$50
LENNARD, OTIS	Perkins	$2		
M.				
MERRILL, FRANCIS W.	Main			
		$2		

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$3.75
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			$700	
Barn,			175	
Shed,			50	
House lot,	1		200	
Peat meadow,	1		25	
			$1150	$15.00
Dwelling house,			1100	
Barn,			700	
Wood-house,			200	
Granary,			75	
Tillage land,	37		3000	
Pasture "	40		1400	
Meadow "	4		200	
Woodland,	10		250	
			$6925	$76.25
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$3.25
				$2.00
				$2.50
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			1000	
Barn,			300	
Shop,			50	
House lot,	3 1-2		800	
			$2150	$23.50

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
MERRILL, GEORGE F.	Larch		One cow,	$25
		$2		$25
MERRILL, GEORGE W.	Larch			
		$2		
MERRILL, HARRISON R.	Cherry			
		$2		
MERRILL, ARTHUR F.	Main	$2		
MERRILL, CHARLES L.	Main	$2		
MELDRAM, JOHN		Ex't		
MONIES, EDWARD A.	Cherry	Ex't		
MORRILL, PHILIP	Grape-vine		One heifer,	25
		$2		$25
MOULTON, HENRY A.	Main	$2		
MOULTON, JOHN W. L.	Maple		Two horses.	125
			One cow,	25
		$2		$150
MCQUEENEY, CHAS. H.	Main	$2		
MCQUEENEY, OWEN E.	Main	$2		

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Dwelling house,			$400	
House lot,	1–2		50	
			$450	$6.75
Dwelling house,			750	
Barn,			250	
Shop,			50	
House lot,	1		300	
			$1350	$15.50
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			275	
Shop,			25	
Woodhouse,			50	
House lot,	1		100	
			$1050	$12.50
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			100	
Shop,			50	
House lot,	1		250	
			$1000	$10.00
Dwelling house,			500	
Barn,			300	
Shop,			150	
House lot,	1 1–2		100	
Meadow,	2		100	
			$1150	$13.75
Perkins' land and peat meadow,	1 1–2		$125	$3.25
Dwelling house,			650	
Barn,			300	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	2		200	
			$1175	$15.25
				$2.00
				$2.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Morant, Philip H.	Larch			
		$2		
Morgan, Wm. B.	Maple			
		$2		
N.				
Norcross, Hiram C. Heirs of	Dodge			
Nickerson, Alex'r Estate of	Bomer		Four cows,	100
				$100
Nickerson, Boman	Bomer	$2	One horse,	$75
O.				
O'Connor, Patrick	Cherry	$2		
Osgood, George P. Estate of	Walnut			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Store building.			$700	
Five henneries,			200	
Tillage land,	7		600	
			$1500	$17.00
Dwelling house.			750	
Barn,			600	
Piggery,			75	
Hennery,			50	
Carriage-house,			50	
Shop,			25	
Tillage land,	12		600	
Pasture "	18		300	
Perkins' woodland,	12		200	
J. Dodge, meadow,	12		125	
Jacobs' land,	4	1–2	50	
			$2825	$30.25
Dwelling house,			500	
Barn,			150	
Shop,			25	
Hennery,			25	
Carriage house,			25	
House lot,	2		100	
			$825	$8.25
Dwelling house,			1000	
Barn,			600	
Shed,			50	
Shop,			25	
Tillage land,	14		700	
Pasture "	15		350	
Meadow "	2		50	
			$2775	$28.75
				$2.75
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			1100	
Barn,			250	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
OSGOOD, GEORGE P., Estate of				
OSGOOD, CAROLINE P. Guardian for Sally P. Osgood and Mary P. Osgood	Walnut		Doomed money and stocks	$5000
OSGOOD, CAROLINE P.	Walnut		Doomed money and stocks	$2500
OSGOOD, CAROLINE P. J. H. Towne, Trustee for	Walnut		Stocks and bonds,	$3750
P.				
PARSONS, GEORGE W.	Cedar		Stock and trade,	100
			One horse,	50
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$200
PATCH, AUSTIN C.	Patch's court		One horse,	75
			One cow,	25
			Meat wagon,	50
		$2		$150
PATCH, MARY G.	Main			
PATCH, CHARLES W.	Main		Four horses,	300
			One colt,	50
			One cow,	25
			Three swine,	25
			One meat wagon,	150
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$600
PATCH, HENRY	Patch's Court			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
House lot,	3		$250	
Pasture land,	3		150	
			$1750	$17.50
				$50.00
				$25.00
				$37.50
Dwelling house,			650	
Barn,			200	
Shop and storehouse,			150	
House lot,	1–2		125	
Woodland,	2		25	
			$1150	$15.50
				$3.50
Dwelling house,			1200	
Barn,			200	
House lot,	1		300	
Gould orchard,	1		300	
			$2000	$20.00
Dwelling house,			1200	
Barn,			250	
Carriage house,			250	
House lot,	1–2		150	
			$1850	$26.50
Dwelling house,			1500	
Barn,			800	
New house,			2000	
House lot,	5		700	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
PATCH, HENRY				
		$2		
PATCH, GEORGE W.	Patch's Court		Two horses,	$200
			Two carriages,	125
			One meat wagon,	150
			Stock and trade,	200
		$2		$675
PEACH, JOHN F.	Dodge	$2		
PEABODY, GEORGE W.	Maple	Ex't	Two horses,	50
			One cow,	25
				$75
PEABODY, GEO. W., JR.	Maple			
		$2		
PERKINS, DANIEL	Arbor			
		$2		
PERKINS, FRANK E.	Main		Stock and trade.	200
			Four horses,	400
			One cow,	50
			Meat wagon,	150
			One carriage.	75
		$2		$875
PERKINS, FRED F.	Main		Stock and trade,	200
			Three horses,	300
			Meat wagon.	150
			Carriage,	75
		$2		$725
PERKINS, GEORGE E.	Arbor	$2		

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Porter woodland,	8		$150	
Stearns "	6		50	
Stearns "	20		250	
			$5450	$56.50
				$8.75
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			700	
Barn,			250	
Small dwelling house,			150	
Tillage land,	6		250	
Meadow "			150	
			$1500	$15.75
Dwelling house,			600	
Two henneries,			50	
House lot,	4		200	
Woodland,	2		25	
			$875	$10.75
Dwelling house,			600	
Wood-house,			100	
Tillage land,	8		750	
Pasture "	6		200	
			$1650	$18.50
Dwelling house,			2000	
Barn and slaughter-house,			1200	
Wood-house,			100	
House lot,	2		500	
Barn lot,	1		225	
Buckley land,			100	
			$4125	$52.00
Dwelling house,			2000	
Barn and slaughter-house,			1000	
House lot,	1 3–4		500	
			$3500	$44.25
				$2.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
PERKINS, CHARLES W.	Arbor	$2		
PERKINS, JAMES H.	Main		Stock and trade,	$200
			Two horses,	200
			Meat wagon,	150
		$4		$550
PERKINS, ALONZO C.	Patch's Court		Stock and trade,	200
			One horse,	100
			Meat wagon,	150
		$2		$450
PERKINS, JAMES H. Jr.	Main		Stock and trade,	800
		$2		$800
PERKINS, NATHAN'L P.	Burley		Money at interest,	500
			Two horses,	125
			Twelve cows,	350
			Carriage,	25
		$2		$1000
PIERCE, HARVEY	Maple	Ex't		
PINGREE, DAVID	Walnut		Two horses,	150
			Seven cows,	200
			Three swine,	25
			Carriage,	25
		$2		$400

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			$1300	
Barn and slaughter-house.			800	
Smoke-house,			25	
Hennery,			25	
Carriage-house,			125	
House lot,		3–4	225	
Perkins land,	4	1–2	500	
Perkins land, Arbor St.		3–4	150	
Batchelder woodland,	1	1–2	50	
			$3200	$41.50
				$6.50
Dwelling house,			2000	
House lot,		3–4	300	
Batchelder land.	1	27/40	50	
			$2350	$33.50
Dwelling house,			1250	
Barn,			700	
Shed,			100	
Granary,			25	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	30		1400	
Pasture "	20		400	
Meadow "	10		200	
Wood "	10		275	
			$4375	$55.75
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			100	
House lot,	6		300	
Pasture land,	13		225	
			$1225	$12.25
Dwelling house,			1500	
Two barns,			700	
Piggery,			100	
Shed,			100	
Tillage land,	30		2600	
Pasture "	28		1000	
Meadow "	4		200	
			$6200	$68.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
PINGREE, ABBY G.	Walnut			
PINGREE, ABBY G.				
PINGREE, MRS. THOS. P.	Main		Money at interest and stocks doomed,	$38500
			Four horses,	600
			Thirty-three cows,	1200
			Two oxen,	75
			Two swine,	25
			Three carriages,	275
			Furniture, plate and library,	550
			Harnesses,	50
				$41275
PLUMMER, SAMUEL T. Estate of	Cherry			
POOL, WELLINGTON	Main	$2	One horse,	$100
PORTER, ELBRIDGE	Main		Two horses,	125
			Five cows,	150

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX
Perkins hill land,	6		$400	$4.00
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			300	
Batchelder land,	10		800	
Batchelder land, north side,	4 2–5		150	
Dodge land,	7		300	
			$2150	$21.50
Dwelling house,			4300	
Barn,			1200	
Stable,			1000	
Stable, No. 2,			300	
Tool house,			300	
Hennery,			100	
Peabody dwelling house,			1300	
Peabody barn,			350	
Small dwelling house,			450	
Dodge dwelling house,			1100	
Barn,			700	
Wood house,			200	
Carriage "			125	
Tillage land,	36		4000	
Pasture "	10		500	
Meadow "	5		300	
Peabody house lot,	3		900	
G. W. Dodge land,	10		1800	
E. P. Dodge "	1		300	
Tillage "	39		1700	
Pasture "	15		300	
Meadow "	20		550	
Wood "	22		350	
			$22125	$634.00
Dwelling house,			900	
Barn and shop,			300	
House lot,	1		300	
			$1500	$15.00
Batchelder land,	5 1–2		$150	$4.50
Dwelling house,			900	
Two barns,			600	
Carriage house,			75	
Granary,			25	
Hennery,			50	
Tillage land,	10 1–2		1050	
Pasture "	17		500	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
PORTER, ELBRIDGE				
		$2		$275
PINGREE, MARY A.	Main		Mortgage of E. K. Batchelder's real estate.	
PORTER, ISAAC	Larch		One horse,	75
			One cow,	25
		$4		$100
PORTER, SAMUEL	Friend's Court			
		$2		
PORTER, WM. E. Estate of	Main		Two horses.	150
			Five cows.	125
				$275
PRESTON, DANIEL W.	Grape-vine		Two horses.	100
			Six cows,	150
		$2		$250

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Meadow land,	3		$75	
Woodland,	6 1–2		100	
			$3375	$38.50
Part dwelling house,			327.28	
" barn,			109.09	
" Granary,			18.18	
" tillage land,	4		145.46	
" pasture "	4 1–2		54.54	
" Kimball "	3		9.09	
" Moulton "	2 1–2		36.36	
			$700.00	$7.00
Dwelling house,			1100	
Barn,			200	
Wood-house,			50	
Hennery,			25	
Dwelling house on Porter St.,			800	
Barn on Porter St.,			50	
House lot,	1		300	
Perkins land,	6 1–2		500	
Woodland,	5		50	
West End tillage land,	1–3		25	
			$3100	$36.00
Dwelling house,			2000	
House lot,	1–2		150	
Pasture and woodland,	40		625	
			$2775	$29.75
Dwelling house,			900	
Barn,			500	
Wood and carriage house,			100	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	1		275	
Pasture "	6		225	
Batchelder land,	1 1–4		200	
Porter "	13		1250	
Wood "	5		75	
Meadow "	4		50	
			$3600	$38.75
Dwelling house,			900	
Barn,			300	
Tillage land,	6		300	
Pasture "	6		150	
Wood "	5		125	
			$1775	$22.25

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
PRESTON, EDWIN	Grape-vine	$2		
PRINCE, SAMUEL R.	Larch		Three horses,	$300
			Two oxen,	150
			Twenty-six cows,	700
			Meat wagon,	50
		$2		$1200
PRINCE, HENRY A.	Larch	$2		
PRINCE, FRANK R.	Larch	$2		
PRINCE, ARTHUR D.	Larch	$2		
PULSIFER, EDWARD	Main	$2		
PEABODY, ALLINSON	Burley	$2	Two horses,	$75
PUTNAM, ASA T.	Maple		Two horses,	100
			Seven cows.	175
		$2		$275
PUTNAM, CHARLES O.	Walnut	$2	One horse,	$100
PLAISTED, FRANK W.	Cherry		One horse,	100
		$2		$100
PORTER, FRED F.	Main	$2		
PEAVEY, HANNAH S.	Grape-vine		Two cows,	50
				$50

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			$600	
Barn,			550	
Shed,			75	
Slaughter-house,			225	
Tillage land,	15		750	
Pasture "	8		200	
Meadow "	3		150	
Wood "	3		25	
			$2575	$39.75
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$2.75
				$4.75
				$3.00
Dwelling house.			600	
Barn,			500	
Shed,			50	
Tillage land,	13		700	
Pasture "	5		100	
Wood "	1		25	
			$1975	$22.75
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			650	
Barn,			175	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	5 1-2		300	
Pasture "	12		125	
			$1275	$13.25

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Q.				
QUINBY, IVORY	Main		One horse,	$50
			One pony,	50
			One cow,	25
		$2		$125
QUINBY, SUSAN C.	Main		One share P. S. P. R. R.	$125
R.				
RICHARDS, JOHN C.	Main			
		$2		
ROBERTS, HIRAM L.	Bomer		Five cows,	125
			Two steers,	50
			One horse,	100
		$2		$275
ROBERTS, FRED	Bomer	$2		
ROUNDY, JOHN G.	Cedar	$2		
ROUNDY, FRED A.	Cedar		Two horses,	150
		$2		$150
ROBINS, MARY R.	Main		One horse,	100
			Carriage,	100
				$200
ROGERS, CAROLINE	Main			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Dwelling house.			$2400	
Barn,			650	
House lot,	4		850	
Foster land,	3	1–2	500	
			$4400	$47.25
				$1.25
Dwelling house,			650	
House lot,	1		250	
			$900	$11.00
Dwelling house.			700	
Barn,			200	
Shed,			50	
New barn and shed.			550	
Tillage land,	7	1–2	450	
Pasture "	18		500	
J. Porter "	5		375	
Gage "	4		150	
Woodman land.	4		50	
Wood "	3		75	
			$3100	$35.75
				$2.00
				$2.00
One-half dwelling house.			600	
Barn,			150	
Tillage land.	4	1–2	250	
Pasture "		3–4	50	
			$1050	$14.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house.			1200	
Barn,			300	
House lot.	1		250	
Wood land,	1		25	
			$1775	$17.75

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Russell, Herbert H.	Main	$2	One cow,	$25
S.				
Shattuck, James M.	Main	$2		
Standley, Augustus	Cedar	Ex't		
Standley, Edward F.	Larch	$2		
Standley, E. K.	Bomer		Two horses.	125
			Five cows,	150
		$2		$275
Standley, Francis C.	Pleasant		Three cows,	75
			Two horses.	150
		$2		$225
Stanton, Charles H.	Cedar		One horse,	50
		$2		$50
Stanton, Fred P.	Main	$2		
Stillman, Aseneth	Grape-vine			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$2.25
Hennery,			$25	$2.25
Dwelling house,			400	
Barn,			100	
House lot,	1–2		100	
			$600	$6.00
One-half dwelling house,			400	
One-half barn,			150	
House lot,	1–2		100	
			$650	$8.50
Dwelling house,			500	
Barn,			250	
Shed,			50	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	20		1000	
Pasture "	40		775	
			$2600	$30.75
Dwelling house,			400	
Barn,			150	
Shop,			50	
Tillage land,	16		650	
Pasture "	18		300	
Dodge "	10		150	
			$1700	$21.25
Dwelling house,			350	
Barn,			150	
Hennery,			50	
New dwelling house,			100	
House lot,	2		200	
Wood land,	3		75	
			$925	$11.75
Batchelder land,	2	1–2	$225	$4.25
Dwelling house,			500	
Barn,			100	
Wood house,			50	
House lot,	1		75	
Wood land,	7		175	
			$900	$9.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Sullivan, Michael	Perkins		Two horses,	$200
			Two cows,	50
			Three swine,	25
		$2		$275
Smalley, Roland	Lee Pl.		One horse,	100
			Two cows,	75
				$175
Smalley, Roland W.	Lee Pl.	$2		
Stillman, Henry D.	Grape-vine	$2		
Sargent, John R.	Arbor		Two horses,	100
			One cow,	25
		$2		$125

T.

Tarr, Henry	Main		Two horses,	100
			Thirteen cows,	325
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$475
Tarr, Frank H.	Main	$2		
Thompson, Thomas, Estate of	Grape-vine		Two horses,	100
			Five cows,	125

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Dwelling house,			$350	
Barn,			600	
Tillage land,	8		850	
Hobbs "	15		600	
Meadow and wood land,	15		250	
			$2650	$31.25
Dwelling house,			400	
Barn,			200	
Fifteen henneries,			250	
Tillage land,	8		350	
Pasture "	18		300	
Meadow "	6		150	
			$1650	$18.25
				$2.00
Dodge wood land,	5		$100	$3.00
Dwelling house,			450	
Barn,			100	
House lot,		1–2	100	
			$650	$9.75
Dwelling house,			1500	
Barn,			600	
Shed and carriage house,			100	
Hennery,			50	
Granary and piggery,			50	
Tillage land,	21		1800	
Pasture "	60		2000	
Meadow "	6		150	
Wood "	22		300	
			$6550	$72.25
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			900	
Barn,			400	
Small barn,			100	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land,	20		725	
Pasture "	32		575	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
THOMPSON, THOMAS, Estate of				
				$225
THOMPSON, ALBERT B.	Grape-vine	$2		
THOMPSON, ORIN P.	Grape-vine	$2		
TILTON, GEORGE H.	Main	$2		
TILTON, ELIZABETH W.	Main		Money at interest,	$1000
			One horse,	150
			Two cows,	75
			Two carriages,	250
			Furniture and plate,	300
				$1775
TINEY, JOHN H.	Maple		One horse,	50
			One cow,	25
		$2		$75
TROWT, ASA W.	Main	$2		
TROWT, ANDREW D.	Main	$2		
TROWT, WM. F.	Main	$2		
TROWT, HOWARD W.	Main	$2		
TROWT, A. D. & W. F.			Stock and trade,	1000
			Two horses,	200
				$1200
TUCKER, WM. T.	Dodge			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Meadow land,	12		$200	
Wood "	3		50	
			$2975	$32.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			1800	
Barn,			900	
Shed,			250	
New shed,			125	
Tool house,			100	
New barn,			300	
Herrick house,			625	
Wood house,			175	
Tillage land,	13		2500	
Pasture "	16		625	
Meadow "	1		50	
Wood "	12		200	
			$7650	$94.25
Dwelling house,			400	
Barn,			225	
Shop,			50	
Shed,			25	
Tillage land,	4	3–4	225	
Clark "	1	1–2	100	
			$1025	$13.00
A. Dodge woodland,	2		$50	$2.50
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house and store,			3500	
Barn and shed,			700	
Store and house lot,		3–4	400	
			$4600	$58.00
Dwelling house,			500	
Barn and shop,			100	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
TUCKER, WM. T.				
		$2		
TUCKER, WM. T. JR.	Dodge		One horse,	50
			Carriage,	25
		$2		$75
TINKHAM, EBENEZER	Perkins		Three cows,	75
		$2		$75
TINKHAM, JOHN W.	Dodge	$2		
TINKHAM, SMITH	Porter	$2		
TUFTS, GEORGE B., Estate of	Cherry		One horse,	25
				$25

W.

WATERS, ELIZABETH, Estate of	Main			
WEBBER, CHARLES L.	Arbor			
		$2		
WEBBER, ELDRED M.	Arbor	$2		
WESEL, JOSEPH	Bomer		Two horses,	200
			Six cows,	150
			Two heifers,	25

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Shed,			$25	
House lot.	3–4		100	
			$725	$9.25
				$2.75
Dwelling house.			550	
Barn,			200	
House lot,	2		275	
			$1025	$13.00
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house.			750	
Barn,			200	
Shop,			50	
Hennery,			25	
Tillage land.	6		300	
Pasture "	3		75	
Peat meadow,	2		25	
			$1425	$14.50
Dwelling house,			3000	
Barn,			400	
New barn,			1800	
Small dwelling house.			800	
Hot house,			200	
Tillage land.	4		600	
Pasture "	40		1600	
			$8400	$84.00
Dwelling house.			300	
Barn,			50	
Shop,			25	
House lot.	1		100	
			$475	$6.75
				$2.00
Dwelling house.			1000	
Barn.			400	
Wood house.			100	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
WESEL, JOSEPH				
		$2		$375
WESEL, JOSEPH S.	Bomer	$2		
WESEL, JOHN	Bomer	$2		
WILKINS, CHARLES	Larch		Three horses,	225
			Six cows,	150
			One bull,	30
			Two swine,	20
			Two oxen,	100
			Carriage,	25
		$2		$550
WILKINS, JOEL	Burley		One horse,	25
		$2		$25
WILKINS, MOSES D.	Larch	$2		
WILKINS, LYDIA D.	Larch			
WILLIAMS, GEORGE M. Heirs of	Hull		Five cows,	125
				$125
WILLIAMS, ADDISON	Hull	$2	One horse,	50
WHITE, LYDIA	Bomer			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Tillage land,	25		$1000	
Pasture "	35		600	
			$3100	$36.75
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			1400	
Two barns,			600	
Shed,			200	
Small dwelling house,			200	
Granary,			50	
Carriage house,			50	
Work shop,			25	
Tillage land,	16		1000	
Pasture "	28		700	
Wood "	4		200	
Wood pasture	15		200	
Meadow	4		150	
			$4775	$55.25
Dwelling house,			225	
Barn,			75	
Shop and shed,			50	
House lot,	2		125	
			$475	$7.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			1050	
Barn,			175	
Shop,			50	
Shed,			50	
House lot,	1		200	
			$1525	$15.25
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			250	
Tillage land,	1		50	
Wood "	10		100	
Cleaves "	6		350	
			$1350	$14.75
Dwelling house,			$250	$5.00
Dwelling house,			500	
Barn,			150	
Tillage land,	1		75	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
WHITE, LYDIA				
WOODBURY, GEO. H.	Main		One horse.	$100
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$150
WOODBURY, JAMES,	Main	Ex't		
WOODMAN, JOSEPH B.	Main	$2		
WOODMAN, MILTON A.	Main	$2		
WYATT, GEO. H.	Grape-vine		Stock and trade.	600
			Two horses.	200
			Carriage,	50
		$2		$850
WYATT, CHARLES E.	Grape-vine		One cow.	25
		$2		$25
WILLIAMS, JASON L.	Main			
		$2		
WILLIAMS, FRED A.	Arbor	$2		
WILDES, GEORGE W.	Larch	$2		
WILKINS, CHARLES A.	Main		One horse.	100
			Carriage.	25
		$2		$125
WHITING, HERBERT N.	Main	$2	One horse.	50

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Pasture land,	8		$175	
Meadow "	4		50	
Wood "	6		125	
Wood "	4		75	
Peat Meadow,	2		25	
			$1175	$11.75
Dwelling house,			1000	
Barn,			300	
Hennery,			50	
Shed and carriage house,			50	
House lot,	3		600	
			$2000	$23.50
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house and store,			750	
Barn,			400	
House lot,	3		200	
Woodland,	2		50	
			$1400	$24.50
Dwelling house,			400	
Barn,			150	
Shop,			25	
House lot,	5		250	
Woodland,	5		100	
			$925	$11.50
Dwelling house,			850	
Barn,			150	
Shop,			50	
House lot,	1		300	
			$1350	$15.50
				$2.00
				$2.00
				$3.25
House lot,	1	1–10	$200	$1.50

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
WILKINS, FRANK	Burley	$2		
Y.				
YOUNG, ALONZO	Dodge	$2		
YOUNG, MARTHA C.	Main			
YOUNG, BENJ. F.	Main	$2	Two carriages.	$75
YOUNG, PHILIP S.	Dodge			
		$2		$75
YOUNG, AMANDA & JULIA	Dodge			

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
				$2.00
				$2.00
Dwelling house,			$950	
Barn,			300	
House lot.	3		700	
			$1950	$19.50
				$2.75
Dwelling house.			600	
Barn.			200	
Shop,			100	
House lot,	1		150	
Young land.	3		125	
Choate "	3	1–2	200	
			$1375	$15.75
Dwelling house.			500	
House lot,	6		225	
			$725	Exempt

NON-RESIDENTS.

STATE, COUNTY AND TOWN TAX.

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Beverly.				
Towne, Lydia D., Heirs of				
Appleton, Hooper A.,				
Trask, Israel, Heirs of				
Brown, Sullivan, Heirs of				
Burnham, Amos,				
Dodge, Andrew,				
Dodge, Jonathan,				
Dodge, Sophronia, Heirs of				
Dodge, Isaiah H.,				
Dodge, Richard, Heirs of				
Brown, John G.,				
Dodge, Elner H.,				
Edwards, Ephraim, Heirs of				
Elliot, George, Heirs of				
Bennett, R. G.,				
Foster, Samuel J.,				
Haskell, Paul, Heirs of				
Friend, Wm. P.,				
Edwards, Henry O., Heirs of				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Woodland,	10		$300	$3.00
Woodland,	6 1–2		100	1.00
Woodland.	11		350	3.50
Woodland,	11		150	1.50
Pasture land,	1		25	.25
Woodland,	6		150	1.50
Pasture land,	14		250	2.50
Pasture and woodland,	12		200	2.00
Pasture and woodland,	12		250	2.50
Two-fifths barn,			300	
Tillage land,	25		1000	
Woodland,	6		175	
			$1475	$14.75
Woodland,	4		50	.50
Woodland,	2		50	.50
Woodland.	4		75	.75
Woodland.	6		125	1.25
Woodland,	4		100	1.00
Woodland.	7		375	3.75
Woodland.	2		50	.50
Woodland.	2		75	.75
Tillage land.	10		300	3.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
KILHAM, CHARLES A., Heirs of				
LORD, AZOR, Heirs of				
MEACOM, JOHN, Heirs of				
LARCOM, LUCY W.,				
PRESTON, MARY,				
MOULTON, CHARLES,				
ROBERTS, ALBERT.				
PRESTON, JOSEPH K., Heirs of				
PRESTON, BENJ., Heirs of				
PERRY, CHARLES Heirs of				
BENSON, HENRY,				
YOUNG, JOHN, Heirs of				
KIMBALL, JOEL,				
PRIDE, AUGUSTA.				
STANDLEY, JOSEPH F.,				
STANDLEY, DAVID, Heir of				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Woodland,	8		$200	$2.00
Woodland,	4		50	.50
Woodland,	1		25	.25
Woodland,	1 1–2		50	.50
Woodland,	3 1–2		25	.25
Tillage land,	4		200	
Pasture "	6		150	
Wood "	10		150	
Young woodland,	22		350	
Lord "	8		100	
Snelling & Roberts land,	6		50	
Brown woodland,	8		50	
Glines "	9		150	
			$1200	$12.00
Pasture land,	4		75	.75
Woodland,	3 1–2		50	.50
Woodland,	4		150	1.50
Woodland.	1		25	.25
Woodland,	2		25	.25
Meadow,	4		75	.75
Meadow and woodland.	6		75	
Standley Land,	5		100	
			$175	$1.75
Pasture and woodland.	3		150	1.50
Woodland.	6		200	2.00
Tillage land.	8		400	4.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
WOODBERRY, JOSEPH, Heirs of				
WOODBERRY, ANDREW,				
TRASK, EDWARD D.,				
YOUNG, WILLIAM,				
WOODBURY, LEVI,				
HENDERSON, C. H., Heirs of				
COLLIER, PERRY,				
WHITEMAN, GEO.,				
BELL, JOHN, Heirs of				
FIELDER, GEO. F.,				
SOUTHWICK, EDWARD,				
SOUTHWICK, S. and D. HOMAN,				
FOSTER, EZRA S. Heirs of				
PRESTON, EZRA,				
PORTER, ADONIRAM,				
DODGE, LEVI, Heirs of				
STANDLEY, ANDREW, Heirs of				
PHILIPS, JOHN C., Heirs of				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Woodland,	5		$150	$1.50
Woodland,	6		125	1.25
Woodland.	3		100	1.00
Woodland.	3		75	.75
Woodland,	6		150	1.50
Woodland & house lot,	2	1–2	175	Exempt.
Dwelling house,			1100	
Barn,			150	
Clark dwelling house,			400	
" barn,			50	
Tillage and woodland.	19		575	
Clark house lot,		1–2	50	
			$2325	$23.25
Tillage land,	4		100	1.00
Woodland,	9		200	2.00
Woodland,	4		100	1.00
Woodland,	17		300	3.00
Woodland,	4		100	1.00
Tillage land,	5		250	2.50
Woodland,	1		25	.25
Woodland,	9		125	1.25
Woodland and meadow.	20		400	4.00
Woodland.	5		125	1.25
Wood and pasture land.	7		300	
Waters land,	15		925	
			$1225	$12.25

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
DAVIS, IRA, Estate of				
ELLIOTT, CHARLES				
STANDLEY, ISAAC. Estate of				
DODGE, ELIZABETH C. Estate of				
PRESTON, NEHEMIAH Estate of				
BATCHELDER, WM.				
HULL, WM.				
MORRILL, EBENEZER				
LAMSON, G. W.				
WILSON, HENRY				
LOVETT, EDWARD B.				
SMITH, DAVID			Engine and hoisting apparatus.	$200
				$200
GATES, ISAAC				
BOWDEN, GEO. V.				
GOLDSMITH, NATHAN				
WYATT, EDWARD E.				
PRESTON, FRANK				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Woodland,	6		$75	$ .75
Woodland,	2		25	.25
Woodland,	2		25	.25
Three-fifths Dwelling House,			350	
House Lot,		7–8	100	
			$450	$4.50
Tillage and Woodland,	2		50	.50
Woodland,	3		25	.25
Woodland,	4		100	1.00
Meadow Land,	2		100	1.00
Woodland,	10		125	1.25
Pasture and Woodland,	6		250	2.50
Dwelling House,			400	
Barn and Shed,			175	
House Lot,	2	1–2	225	
			$800	$8.00
Four Ice Houses,			2000	
Ice House Land,		1–4	100	
Batchelder "		1–3	25	
			$2125	$23.25
Woodland,	10		325	3.25
Tillage Land,	9		500	5.00
Gage "	7		350	3.50
Barn,			600	
Tillage Land,	2		125	
Woodland,	2		75	
			$800	$8.00
Dwelling house,			550	
Barn,			300	
Wood-house,			25	
Hennery,			25	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Preston, Frank				
Woodbury, G. A., 2nd,				

Charlestown.

Gage, Addison, & Co.			Engine and boiler,	$500
				$500

Danvers.

Boardman, Chas. W.				
Brown, Samuel, Heirs of				
Brown, John				
Dodge, Elnathan				
Fowler, Augustus				
Putnam, Wm.				
Proctor, Nathan				
Putnam, Henry A.				
Pedrick, Miss				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
House lot,	1		$150	
Tillage land.	6		350	
			$1400	$14.00
Dwelling house.			350	
Barn,			600	
Tillage land.	26		1200	
Pasture "	12		200	
Meadow "	2		50	
			$2400	$24.00
Engine house,			400	
Dwelling house,			1400	
Small dwelling house.			800	
Two wood-houses.			100	
New barn,			1700	
Wharf and elevator.			3000	
New shed,			50	
Wood-house and hennery.			50	
Land west of road.	17	3–4	1775	
Land east with R. R.,	1	1–2	200	
House lot,		1–2	150	
			$9625	$101.25
Woodland,	4		50	.50
Peat meadow.	1		25	.25
Woodland,	5		50	.50
Woodland,	4		50	.50
Woodland.	4		50	.50
Woodland,	4		100	1.00
Pasture, Sheldon land.	11		200	2.00
Meadow.	5		75	.75
Meadow land.	18		150	1.50

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
SEARS, JOHN A.				
PUTNAM, JOHN A.				
WHITE, HENRY A.				
LUMMUS, JOHN				
TRASK, ELBRIDGE				
PATCH, ABRAM				
PUTNAM, CALVIN				
WHITE, EDWARD F.				
PEABODY, EBEN				
PEABODY, GEORGE				
GOULD, DANIEL Heirs of				
BROWN, CHARLES W.				

Lynn.

STONE, ELOR O.				
CURRIER. B. W.				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Pasture land,	15		$250	$2.50
Pasture and woodland.	50		1000	
Shattuck land.	4		250	
			$1250	$12.50
Tillage land.	4	1–2	300	
Woodland,	2		50	
Moulton land,	4		125	
			$475	$4.75
Dwelling house,			850	
Barn,			100	
House lot,		1–2	75	
			$1025	$10.25
Woodland,	2		25	.25
Woodland,	15		125	1.25
Dwelling house,			900	
Barn,			600	
Shed,			150	
Tillage land,	22		1200	
Pasture "	20		600	
Meadow "	2		50	
			$3500	$35.00
Old orchard,	2	1–2	75	.75
Meadow,	3		25	.25
Woodland,	9		125	1.25
Woodland,	2		25	.25
Woodland.	2		50	.50
Woodland,	2		50	.50
Buildings,			75	
Ober tillage land,	3		150	
Pasture and woodland.	33		400	
			$625	$6.25

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Boston.				
B. & M. R. R. Eastern Division,				
King, J. G., Mrs.			Two horses.	$200
McCorry, Charles S.				
Essex.				
Gage, Caleb				
Gloucester.				
Gaffney, E. O.				
Hamilton.				
Dodge, Geo. B.				
Dodge, Emerson				
Woodbury, Josiah Heirs of				
Gibney, John Estate of				
Lamson, Albert				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Tyrrill land,	8		$800	$8.00
				$2.00
Small house,			200	
Tillage land.	8		900	
Pasture "	3		150	
			$1250	$12.50
Dwelling house,			950	
One-half dwelling house.			500	
Carpenter shop,			75	
Tillage land,	1		75	
Pasture "	8		325	
Tillage land at new house,	5	1–2	550	
Batchelder woodland,	5		75	
Swamp land,	22		225	
Moulton hill land,	5		250	
Peat meadow,	1		25	
House lot,		1–2	100	
			$3150	$31.50
Parsons woodland,	8		100	1.00
Woodland,	4		50	.50
Tillage and meadow land,	21		1350	13.50
Tillage and woodland,	20		350	3.50
Pasture land,	4		200	
Meadow "	2		75	
			$275	2.75
Woodland,	4		175	1.75

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
PATCH, CHARLES				
DODGE, GEO. W.				
CAREY, HENRY				
Lexington.				
TYRRILL, P. P.				
Ipswich.				
BROWN, ALBERT S.				
BROWN, JOHN, Estate of				
Salem.				
LYNCH, MARY				
PINGREE, DAVID				
HUNT, MARY P.				
JULYN, CHARLES W.			Engine and hoisting apparatus,	$200
				$200
N. S. RAILWAY CO.				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Woodland,	3		$ 25	$ .25
Barn,			500	
Barn land,	1		300	
			$800	$8.00
Meadow land,	2		50	.50
Meadow land,	5		200	2.00
Woodland,	3		75	.75
Dwelling house,			2400	
Barn,			400	
Small house,			300	
House lot,	1 1–16		450	
			$3550	$35.50
Dwelling house,			600	
Barn,			150	
Tillage land,	9		600	
			$1350	$13.50
Woodland,	11		200	2.00
Woodland,	5		100	1.00
Two ice houses and shed,			1100	
Stable,			50	
Stack,			100	
Ice house lands,		1–4	100	
Batchelder "		1–4	25	
			$1375	$15.75
Roberts house,			2200	
Stable,			2800	

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
N. S. Railway Co.				
Balch, E. S.				
Eaton, Horace B.				
Marblehead.				
Lattimer, Gideon				
Dodge, Simeon			Two horses.	$150
			Four cows.	125
			Carriage.	50
				$325
Topsfield.				
Homan, Wm.				
Perkins, Dudley, Heirs of				
Towne, Eben W.				
Towne, Elisha				
Towne, Jacob W. Heirs of				
Towne, Jacob A., Heirs of				
Woodbury, Isaac M.				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Car house,			$1500	
Roberts land,	1 1–6		600	
			$7100	$71.00
Dwelling house,			5500	
Barn,			500	
House lot,	3 1–2		600	
			$6600	$66.00
Pasture land,	5 1–2		300	3.00
Barn,			100	
Land on Essex St.,	5		250	
			$350	$3.50
Dwelling house,			900	
Barn,			850	
Woodhouse,			50	
Tillage land,	25		2000	
Pasture "	9		275	
Meadow "	11		325	
			$4400	$47.25
Meadow land,	1		25	.25
Woodland,	25		500	5.00
Woodland,	30		500	5.00
Woodland,	7		150	1.50
Wood and pasture land,	37		700	7.00
Meadow and pasture land,	17		300	
Meadow and river land,	5		100	
			$400	$4.00
Leach meadow,	10		150	1.50

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
South Byfield.				
GLEASON, GEO. L.				
Philadelphia, Pa.				
ARCHIBALD, ANNIE				
West Newton.				
PIKE, PRISCILLA				
Manchester N. H.				
CHOATE, JEREMIAH				
Malden.				
BRADBURY, DANIEL				
Boxford.				
MOULTON, HENRY				

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
Woodland,	4		$ 50	$ .50
Barn,			200	
House lot,	1 1–2		200	
Curtis pasture,	10		175	
			$575	$5.75
Dwelling house,			500	
House lot,	1 1–2		50	
			$550	$5.50
Dwelling house,			1800	
Barn,			100	
Paint shop,			225	
House lot,	1		200	
			$2325	$23.25
Woodland,	3		50	.50
Dwelling house,			550	
Barn,			200	
Tillage land,	7		250	
			$1000	$10.00

NAMES.	STREETS.	POLL TAX.	DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.	Value of personal property.
Description and valuation of property exempted from taxation, by the Seventh Div. of Sect. 5, of Chap. 11, of the Public Statutes of Massachusetts.				
Entered in conformity with Chap. 227 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1874.				
CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETY,				
BAPTIST SOCIETY,				
Addition to tax list, Sept. 30, 1890.				
COOK, CHESTER				
PRAY, BENJ.		$2		
HOMAN, CHARLES H.		$2		

DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE.	ACRES.	FEET.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.	TOTAL TAX.
House of worship,			$3000	
Chapel building,			500	
Land under and adjoining houses,	1		300	
			$3800	
House of worship,			1800	
Chapel building,			500	
Society land,	1		100	
			$2400	
Tillage land,	1–4		$25	$ .25
				$2.00
				$2.00

Valuation of the Town, May 1st, 1890.

Rate of Taxation, $10 on $1000.

	Valuation.	Total Tax.
Real Estate,	$453,250	$4532.50
Personal Estate,	96,775	967.75
Amount Assessed on 257 Polls at $2.00 each,		514.00
	$550,025	$6014.25

Number of Dwelling Houses Asssessd,	193
" " Horses "	177
" " Cows "	336
" " Other Neat Cattle "	36
" " Sheep "	21
" " Swine "	13
" " Acres of Land "	4,501 3-16

We, the subscribers, Assessors of the Town of Wenham, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Valuation List of 1890, with the following exceptions, Viz: We have placed all the items of Personal Property in one column, and of Real Estate in another, omitting the separate taxes on Personal and Real Estate, giving only the total amount of each person's tax. We make this statement to prevent any misapprehension as to the form in which the Valuation List is made, as required by the laws of this Commonwealth.

JOHN GENTLEE,
JAMES T. BROWN,
WM. S. CUMMINGS,
Assessors of Wenham.

WENHAM DEC. 1, 1890.

BY-LAWS

OF THE

TOWN OF WENHAM, MASS.,

ADOPTED

MARCH 10, 1890.

SALEM:
PRESS OF THE ESSEX COUNTY MERCURY.
1890.

BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF WENHAM, MASS.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ESSEX, ss.

At the Superior Court begun at Lawrence, within and for the County of Essex, on the first Monday of March, being the third day of said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

The Committee on By-Laws for the Town of Wenham, hereby report and recommend the adoption of the following, viz:—

Chapter I—Relates to Town Meetings.

Sec. 1. The annual town meeting for the election of town officers, and for other purposes, shall be held annually on the first Monday of March, and meetings shall be notified by posting attested copies of the warrant at the post office, the two meeting houses, and the East and West villages of the town.

Sec. 2. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn the meeting, to lay on the table, to commit or amend, to refer or to postpone to a day certain, or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged.

Sec. 3. Upon taking the question, if the decision of the chair is doubted, or a divison of the house

is called for, the moderator shall request all persons in the house to be seated, and may appoint tellers; the question shall then be distinctly stated, and those voting in the affirmative and negative respectively, shall be requested to rise and stand in their places, until they are counted by the moderator, or the tellers, if any, and no person shall be counted who does not comply with the request to occupy a seat.

Sec. 4. No vote or order, relative to the raising, appropriating, or paying any money, shall be reconsidered in town meeting by any less number of voters present and voting thereon, than at the former consideration of the same; and in order to ascertain the number rightly, the moderator shall, when any money matter is first considered and voted in town meeting, count or cause to be counted the number of votes, and the town clerk shall make a proper minute or memorandum thereof, and as soon as can be conveniently done, shall enter the same in the town books, for reference as occasion may require.

Sec. 5. The duties of the moderator not prescribed by the statutes or by the foregoing bylaws shall be determined by Cushing's Manual of Parliamentary Law, so far as they may be adapted to town meetings.

Chapter II—Relates to Town Officers.

Sec. 1. The town may authorize the treasurer to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of the collection of taxes, and to give promissory notes therefor in behalf of the town, the same to be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by

the Selectmen, and all promissory notes of the town shall be executed in like manner.

Sec. 2. Whenever it shall be necessary to execute any deed, lease, or other instrument required to carry into effect any vote of the town, the same shall be executed by the Selectmen, or a majority thereof, in behalf of the town, unless the town shall otherwise vote in any special case.

Sec. 3. The Selectmen may bring suit in the name of the town against the principal and sureties, or either of them, named in any bond given to the town, by any officers, agent, contractor or other person, for breach of the conditions of such bond.

They shall cause the appearance and answer of the town to be entered and made in all suits brought against the town at law or in equity.

They shall consider all claims made against the town for damages, or breach of contract, and may settle the same before suit is brought thereon, provided that in no case shall a settlement be so made by a payment of more than two hundred dollars.

Sec. 4. The Selectmen are directed to cause to be strictly enforced the provisions of Chapter 54 of the Public Statutes relating to the injury, or defacement of ornamental or shade trees standing in the public streets or squares of the town and relating to the cutting down or removal of such trees, and whenever the Selectmen, Road Commissioner, Superintendent of Streets or any Highway Surveyor shall desire to cut down or remove any ornamental or shade trees standing in any street, or square, the consent of the owner of the abut-

ting land should be first obtained, and if the owner refuses his consent, such cutting or removal shall not take place until a hearing has been had before the Board of Selectmen.

EXTRACT FROM CHAPTER 54 OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES - SHADE TREES.

"*Sec.* 6. The Mayor and Aldermen, Selectmen, Road Commissioners or any municipal officer of a city or town to whom the care of the streets or roads may be intrusted, may authorize the planting of shade trees therein, whenever it will not interfere with the public travel or with private rights; and shade trees standing, and trees planted, pursuant to such license, shall be deemed and be taken to be the private property of the person so planting them, or upon whose premises they stand or are planted, and shall not be deemed a nuisance; but upon complaint made to the Mayor and Aldermen, Selectmen, or Road Commissioners, they may cause such trees to be removed at the expense of the owner thereof, if the public necessity seems to them so to require.

Sec. 7. Whoever wantonly injures, defaces, tears or destroys an ornamental or shade tree, shrub, statue, fountain, vase, or other plant or fixture of ornament or utility in a street, road, square, court, park, public garden, or other enclosure, shall forfeit not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars, to be recovered by complaint, one-half to the complainant and the other to the use of the person upon whose property or within whose premises the trespass was committed.

Sec. 8. Whoever negligently or carelessly suffers a horse or other beast driven by or for him, or a beast belonging to him and unlawfully on the highway, to break down, destroy or injure a tree not his own, standing for use or ornament on said highway, or negligently or wilfully by any other means breaks down, destroys or injures any such tree, shall be subject to an action for damages at the suit of the owner or tenant of the land in front of which the tree stands.

Sec. 9. In a city in which the city council and in a town in which the inhabitants, accept this section, or have accepted the corresponding provisions of earlier statutes, the Mayor and Aldermen or Selectmen, may set out and maintain shade trees upon the public squares and highways at the expense of such city or town, which may appropriate annually for that purpose a sum not exceeding twenty-five cents for each of its ratable polls in the year next preceding that in which such appropriation is made."

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Selectmen to audit the accounts of the Collector once in two months. It shall be their duty to audit the accounts of the Treasurer at the close of each municipal year, and as much oftener as they may deem expedient, and for this purpose they shall have access to all books and vouchers in his possession or in the possession of any other officer of the town, and they shall in all cases report to the town the result of their examination.

Sec. 6. It shall be the duty of the Auditors to audit the accounts of all boards, committees and town officers, and for this purpose they shall have access to all books and vouchers of each department. They shall examine the books and accounts of the Collector at least once a year, and the books and accounts of the Treasurer at least once a year, and for this purpose the Collector and Treasurer shall exhibit their books and accounts on demand of the auditors.

They shall also audit the receipts of the Town Clerk for the dog tax, and he shall upon their demand produce his books and all receipts from the County Treasurer for money on account of the dog tax.

Sec. 7. The Selectmen shall cause the report of the auditors, with the accounts and statements upon which it is based, the report of the Finance Committee, and the warrant, to be printed for distribution among the citizens of the town, and they shall cause the same to be distributed during the week previous to the annual town meeting in March.

Sec. 8. The Highway Surveyors, or Road Com-

missioner, shall cause the sidewalks to be kept reasonably clear of snow, and in those districts where there are no sidewalks, the same authorities shall prepare a suitable path, to accommodate the travel thereon.

Sec. 9. The Assessors shall cause to be printed an account of the valuation and taxation of the town for the year 1890, and also for each fifth year thenceforward.

Sec. 10. No town officer or member of any committee chosen by the town, nor any agent of any such officer or committee shall have any pecuniary interest in any contract or bargain made or approved in behalf of the town, by himself or any board or committee of which he is a member or for which he may act as agent.

Chapter III—Relates to Misdemeanors.

Sec. 1. No person shall be, or remain upon any sidewalk or street, or upon any doorstep, or other projection from any dwelling house or other building within the town, so as to annoy or disturb any person, or shall obstruct any passage to the same or the appurtenances thereof. Any person so being or remaining as aforesaid, when ordered by any constable, police officer or watchman, or by the owner or occupant of such dwelling house or other building, shall immediately and peaceably depart, and stay away therefrom, under a penalty of not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars for each offense.

Sec. 2. Whoever shall assemble with others in an idle and disorderly manner, in any street, or on any sidewalk near any dwelling house or in

any other place in this town, and whoever shall be guilty of rude or disorderly behavior, or use any indecent or profane language in any street, near any dwelling or in any other place in this town, to the annoyance or disturbance of the inhabitants thereof, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding five dollars for every such offense.

Sec. 3. No person shall drive any coach, cart or carriage drawn by any horse or other draft animal, upon any sidewalk within the town, or lead any horse, cow, goat, swine or other grazing animal upon such sidewalk.

Whoever shall offend against any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars for each offense.

Sec. 4. Whoever shall pasture any horses, cattle, goats or other animals, either with or without a keeper, upon any street or way in this town, shall forfeit a sum not exceeding two dollars for each violation hereof; provided that nothing herein contained shall affect the right of any person to the use of the land within the limits of a street or way adjoining his own premises.

Sec. 5. No person shall ride a bicycle, and no person unless unable to walk, shall ride a tricycle, upon any sidewalk within the town, under a penalty of not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars for each offense. The Selectmen are directed to post and cause to be kept posted, in conspicuous places throughout the town, notices of the regulations contained in this by-law; and the police are specially instructed to cause these regulations to be strictly enforced.

Sec. 6. If any person shall carry, cart or throw or cause to be carried, carted or thrown, any dirt, garbage, filth, coal ashes, oyster or clam shells or any rubbish whatsoever, into any of the streets, lanes, alleys or other public places or ways in this town, so as to incommode any of the inhabitants, he shall forfeit the sum of two dollars for each offense.

Sec. 7. No person shall be guilty of gambling or any rude or disorderly conduct, in any engine house or other building belonging to the town, nor shall at any time carry into, or have in possession as a beverage in or about any engine house or other building belonging to the town, any spirituous or intoxicating liquors.

Whoever shall offend against any provision of this by-law shall be punished by a fine of not less than three dollars, nor more than ten dollars for each offense.

Sec. 8. No person shall wilfully or maliciously deface or tear down any bill, placard or notice, posted for a lawful purpose, except the same be affixed to premises owned by him or under his control, under a penalty of not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars for each offense.

Sec. 9. Whoever shall wantonly injure any public watering trough or pump, or the apparatus connected therewith, or shall pollute the water therein, shall forfeit not less than five dollars for each offense.

Chapter IV—Relates to Truant Children.

Sec. 1. Any child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, found wandering about the

streets during school hours, without any employment, may be taken by the truant officers to the school to which he may belong.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the teacher of any school in town who knows of any truancy on the part of any pupil of the school, to give immediate information to some one of the truant officers of the town. It shall be the duty of the teachers to enforce punctuality and regularity of attendance and to preserve good order and discipline.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the truant officers to keep a full record of all their acts and doings, and make annual report thereof to the School Committee, who shall publish the same in their report.

Chapter V—Relates to Penalties, and the Enforcement of these By-Laws.

Sec. 1. All penalties for the violation of either of the foregoing by-laws may be recovered by complaint before any court of competent jurisdiction, and shall be paid into the treasury of the town to inure to such uses as the town shall from time to time direct. But all prosecutions shall be commenced within six months from the time of the violation of the by-law and not afterwards.

In all cases not otherwise provided for, it shall be the duty of all constables and police officers to take notice of all violations of these by-laws and to immediately report to the chairman of the Selectmen, who shall promptly prosecute the same.

Sec. 2. These by-laws shall take effect from and

after approval by the Superior Court, or in vacation by a Justice thereof.

Wenham, Mass., February, 1890.

DAVID PINGREE,
Sec'y of Committee,
FRANCIS M. DODGE,
ABBOTT JOHNSON,
NATH'L P. PERKINS,
JOHN GENTLEE,
WILLIAM B. MORGAN.

A true copy.

Attest,

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 3D, 1890.

Article 16th of the warrant, "To hear the report of the Committee on a code of By-Laws."

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD BY ADJOURNMENT MARCH 10TH, 1890.

"Voted, to adopt the By-Laws as reported by the Committee and read to the meeting by their Secretary."

"Voted, that the Town Clerk be authorized to present the By-Laws, as adopted, to the Superior Court for approval."

A true copy of the record.

Attest,

WELLINGTON POOL, Town Clerk.

April 18, 1890.

The foregoing By-Laws, having been examined, are approved.

By the Court,

EZRA L. WOODBURY,

Assistant Clerk.

The foregoing is a true copy of record.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand. and affix the seal of said Court, on this 22d day of April, A. D. 1890.

SEAL.

DEAN PEABODY,

Clerk.

Town Seal.